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One of the most enjoyable activities for those taking ecology class was going outdoors during the fall. Ted Kuehner observes the color, texture, and species of leaves found in front of the school.

Pep sessions were limited last year as a result of more stringent state regulations concerning classroom time. That, however, does not limit the enthusiasm of these students eager to cheer the Lions to a Homecoming victory.

Greeting visitors to the gymnasium for the first time is the 108-by-35 foot Lion Pride mural. Mrs. Mary Lou Holbrook, Leo art teacher, her daughter Jill Lamont, and Joe Taylor, local freelance artist spent approximately 400 hours and used 15½ gallons of paint on the project which covers the entire west side of the gym wall.

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'Hey, we're proud of our Lions!" Cheer
eniors Kurt Lengacher, Craig Good, and
Jerry Doyle as they show their pride by
dressing Hawaiian style at the Leo-Con-
cordia basketball game. Pride is not only

seen at games, but also seen in the halls
and in the classrooms. Showing and feel-
ing pride is no longer a once-in-a-while
event, but a part in all areas of our stu-
dent lives.

photo by Dave Shaw



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We had different attitudes, different interests and different philosophies on life, but there was one thing we all had . . .

PRIDE

As we opened the door on the first day of school, we opened our lives to a new beginning of patterns and events.

There was a new and more rigid schedule to promote pride in education which included a 35 minute all school studyhall at the end of the day. Because of more stringent state requirements, freshmen had to deal with the increase of graduation credits from 32 to 38.

Also, there was a new mural which brightened the gym and expressed the pride of our students and community. Under the pride of this mural, the wrestling team went to a 10-2 record, the best in Leo history.

It was a year of delays and closings. It was either fog, extreme below-zero temperatures or snow which caused schools to close down and give students and teachers an unexpected vacation.

During homecoming week, one tradition that is a particular favorite of the Leo Elementary students is the parade of floats that visits them homecoming day. These students show their spirit with banners as class floats approach.





photo by Michelle Kies

Gossiping is a trait students know well. While in the commons, Ed Herren, Katie Ridderheim, Greg Kelley, Ann Huguenard and Danielle Duch talk about the latest rumors spreading around school.

Being a cheerleader requires a lot of spunk and pride, especially at away games. Aaron Vanlue takes a breather at the Adams Central vs. Lea basketball game which Lea won 66 to 39.



photo by Celeste Schaefer

Near Christmas, home ec. classes prepare munchies for teachers and faculty. Kimb Lamb, Leslie Meredith, and Tina Gee goof off while waiting for Christmas break to begin.

During the ACAC pep session, the band pep's up the crowd as they play the Leo fight song.



photo by Chris Johnston





Photo by Chris Johnson

Originally constructed in 1968 and re-modeled in 1981, Leo High School stands as a reminder of our community pride and support.

PRIDE cont.

During the summer months, the spirit of the Olympics was found in every home and on every television set. For two weeks, fans cheered the athletes of the United States to a new record of combined medal wins.

Ronald Reagan was re-elected as our president, as was our own social studies teacher Mr. Steve Gabet as State Representative in the 19th district for his second term.

Whether it was in athletics, academics, or communities, we were all made with the same ingredient, we were all ...



Spending time with friends after school hours gives students a break from the worries of homework. Kurt Lenager, Krista Bufe, and Dain Bufe stop to talk over the latest happenings.



LIFESTYLES

Dances are always popular events, especially after football and basketball games. Tony Hampton, April Minick and Charlene Foutz discuss their plans for the rest of the evening.

Changing Times

Even though the times changed, we could always expect some things to stay the same.

There were many things to be said about Leo High School. Whether it was good or bad — liveable or nonliveable, all the 700 plus students had to live with what they had. Being such a small school, gossip traveled quickly and all would agree, Leo had a long enough "grapevine" to go around. But there was a band that everyone shared; in a small school everyone knew your name. The teachers gave a little more of themselves, and no-one was a stranger.

There were no more groans about how boring project period was. Rather, there were whispers of how much longer it was until we could get out of homeroom studyhall. It seemed our lifestyles had changed, but there were the little things that stayed the same, the rowdie crowds, the honor role students, the bands, and choirs all reminded us that we were ...



Photo by Ceasar Soto





Drummers Jenifer Sauder, Brian Shepard and Amy McDaniel entertain the crowd during the Leo-Churubusco football game.



Trading Places for a Night

For one night the guys and girls switched roles, it was time once again for Morp.

For most, the evening of Morp started around 6:30 P.M. Many couples, dressed in their matching tee-shirts, sweatshirts, and jerseys were off to near-by fast food restaurants. The most popular eating places were Pizza Hut, McDonald's, and Arby's.

After the girl was finished treating her favorite guy to supper, it was off to the dance which started at 8:30 P.M. Half way through the dance the Morp court, which was voted upon by the senior class, was announced. It was as follows:

Most likely to be on the cover of GQ magazine: David Shaw

Most likely to be on the cover of Vogue: Aimee Richards

Most likely to win the Indy 500: Randy J. Miller and Jenny Sauder

Most hilarious laugh: David Boyce and Tami Bailey

Funniest faces: Jack Overmyer and Holly Redmon

Biggest brown-noser: Jon Shade and Lori Hicks

Biggest trouble-maker: Mike McCullers with Kim Lamb and Paula West in a tie.

Person who grubs the most: Shawn Townsend and Penny Perkins

Sexiest guy: Ed Herran

Sexiest girl: Molly Cook

Best Smile: Wade Oliver and Paula Working

Best couple: Don Bender and Laura Mizzell

After the court received their certificates of \$2.00 worth of Power's Hamburgers, everyone danced the night away to the music provided by Tom Brewer. "I really liked doing Morp, but it's hard for someone from Leo to do a dance here," said senior Tom Brewer.

The dance ended at 11:30 P.M. with the closing slow dance to the very popular "Stairway to Heaven."

— Shelly Slentz

Keith Passwater and Craig Good "get down" at the 1984 Morp to the music provided by Tom Brewer.

While the students keep on dancing, Tom Brewer adjusts the sound system to get just the right volume.



photos by David Shaw



Still one of the most popular dances, the "Time Warp," with its rhythmic steps, is demonstrated by students dancing at the Morp.

While Morp continues Tracey Mohler and Terry Crooks take time out from dancing to share a quiet moment in the commons.



A Living Legend Leaves

The 12th annual Grabill Country Fair was much different than fairs in the past.

The main thing that separated it from previous fairs was that a major business left the community for good. The store, Sauders Furniture, was founded in 1908 and successfully served the community for 76 years. Mike Witt commented, "It was disheartening to see a business that had been around for so long close its doors for good."

But even though this Grabill heritage was gone, the spirit of the community remained as was seen at 1984's Grabill Country Fair.

The fair started Thursday, September 6th, 1984, and ran until Saturday, September 8th, 1984. During the three days the fair was held, about 200,000 people from local areas, and even from surrounding states, crowded onto the one city-block where the fair was held.

Last year the weather was much more comfortable than during the 1983 fair. This was probably a major factor in the record breaking crowds that at-

tended the fair.

Once at the fair, there were things to do for all ages. For adults, there were a lot of spots for early Christmas shopping. For the young kids there were small rides. For those in-between there were contests such as the egg toss and the frog jump.

On Saturday morning people got an early start for good seats and good parking places for the Grabill Days parade. This was the highlight of the fair, as many people turned out just for this main event. The Leo band proudly marched down Main Street, led by the drill squad. Leo band member Tom Baker stated, "This year's band has improved 100% since last year, and I was proud to be a part of it." Other bands who participated in the parade included Woodlan and Eastside. There were also other entries such as floats, clowns, marching teams, and antique cars.

As Saturday came to an end, so did the Grabill Country Fair. The streets were restored to normal, and the traditional home-town spirit continued.

— Brian Lutgens



Participating in the Grabill Day's parade, the Old Fort Settlers march to the sound of the fife and drum corps.





Mr. John Gutner, a resident of Fremont Indiana, drives his pigs in the Grabill Day's parade.

Principal Herbert Stuelpe tips his hat to the crowd while driving a tractor in the Grabill Day's parade.

Trainbusting

All the activities of the week led up to the grand finale like fireworks on the fourth of July.

Homecoming, the first major event of the school year was a continual tradition. Since 1968, every year for one week the typically dressed students of Leo High School became as one may describe, outrageously crazed in one-of-a-kind styles.

Homecoming week was filled with hard work as well as excitement and homework. Most students found it hard to look as well at homework and even more effort was required to finish assignments when little time was available in which to finish them.

Long before the week began, the hard work had already start-

ed with the planning of the activities. Two things which had to be settled early in the year were the Homecoming theme and the class competition categories.

The excitement began Monday and lasted all week with the high points being the powder puff game on Wednesday, the dressing up of every day of the week, and of course, the game on Friday night.

Last year's powder puff game was unlike others. The junior and senior powder puffers took this game very seriously and unnecessary roughness became a big part of the game. The seniors

came out the winners with a score of 36-12.

Finally, the pep session on Friday consisted of the traditional cheerleaders' skit, the revealing of the secret admirers, the rally of the football team, and the presentation of the homecoming king, David Shaw.

"Being homecoming king," said David Shaw, "was something I didn't expect, but it happened."

Fortunately, the week's activities and the spirit they generated paid off with the Lions' win over the Garrett Railroaders on Friday night.



Firing up the team and the crowd's spirit during the pep session, newly crowned king, David Shaw urges students to come and support the team against Garrett and gives praise to his classmates, the class of 1985.

Being the typical nerds, Todd Harris and Rich Dellinger demonstrate what being a nerd is by wearing high waters, horn-rimmed glasses, and carrying loads of books.





photo by Chris Johnston

Performing the skit, "There's One on Every Football Team . . ." Lori Hicks plays the part of the drunk and Debbie Short plays the pothead

Cheerleaders: Christi Meyer, Lisa Swartz, Dina Stovall, Lori Hicks, Debbie Short, and Shelly Barker chant the cheer "Let's Go" after doing their skit during the pep session.



Lions Roar Over Garrett

Winning isn't everything, but the victory over Garrett on Friday night helped make the 1984 Homecoming more thrilling.

Homecoming! The sound of that word brought excitement to the students, faculty, and staff at Leo. Last year's Homecoming, like all others, was a week long event, climaxing on Friday, October 5, 1984.

This was the day of the big game. Last year, unlike the previous two years, the Lions won. They defeated the Garrett Railroaders by a score of 21-6. This was definitely a boost to our school spirit. As Jami Carey put it, "It's about time we won a Homecoming game!"

During halftime of the game, the winners of the class competition were announced. The overall winners were: first place, seniors; second place sophomores; third place freshmen, and fourth

place, juniors. Winners in the individual categories included the seniors for their skit, the sophomores for their gift, and the freshmen for their float.

The game, combined with the events afterwards, made Friday a big day. Before, during, and after the dance, the 1984 Oracle was passed out to eager students by the yearbook staff.

After picking up their yearbooks, the students danced off the thrill of victory to the music of Mistaken Identity at the homecoming dance.

As the dance came to an end, students slowly filed out of the auditoria, and the exciting day of the 1984 Homecoming came to a close.

— Brian Lutgens



Sophomores Jim Yankosky Melanie Brandt, Vickie Stuckey, and Damon Lerel look at the 1984 Oracle after the Lions' victory over the Railroaders homecoming night.

Dan Osborn, number twenty-four prepares to receive a hand-off after quarterback Boyd Coolman fakes it to Matt Kelly, number thirty-two.



During the game against the Garrett Railroaders, Coach Bearman receives information from the booth.

The 1984 Homecoming Court: (left to right) Paula Working, with escort Greg Poe, Molly Cook, with Honorary King David Shaw, Queen Michelle Delagrange, with escort Rob Pulver, Tracy Busch, with escort Wiley Kite, Celeste Schaefer, with escort Ed Busche, and Charlene Fouts, with escort Dan Bufo.

The freshmen show off their first-place float during the outdoor assembly on homecoming day. This was the first time the freshmen class did so well in homecoming activities





A New Kind of Training

Out of season athletes prepare for their upcoming season.

The aching muscles were just a small portion of what one had to deal with after a grueling afternoon of aerobics. For most though, the pain ceased after about two weeks and the routines were easier to keep up with. Aerobics was not just for girls, but for everyone including many guys, teachers, and cafeteria workers. "I had gone to aerobics before and enjoyed it, but since I started working at the school, I wasn't able to go anymore. Since aerobics was right after school I was able to attend," stated Mrs. Connie Shade, cafeteria worker.

Aerobics was held each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday; and it usually lasted from 3:30 P.M. until 4:30 P.M. The classes were held in either the senior high gym, junior high gym, or the wres-

tling room. There were an estimated twenty to twenty-five participants for each session and Mrs. Julie Manger led the classes.

The reason for many athletes attending the aerobic sessions was to get some early conditioning for the approaching winter sports. Senior Rob Pulver stated, "The real reason I'm in aerobics is to make Coach Butt happy and so that I will be able to start varsity basketball."

Aerobics was for anyone who wanted to attend. It was worth the participants' time and effort if he was interested enough to spend an excruciating hour running, jumping, clapping, and hearing some favorite songs. As summed up by Craig Ward, "It was all worthwhile and a lot of fun."

— Shelly Slentz

Leading the aerobic class in one of their routines, Ms. Julie Manger claps to the song "Jump" while the rest of the class tries to keep up.



photo by Connie Day

The aerobics sessions were for anyone who wanted to get into shape; including students, cafeteria workers, and teachers as shown here.



photo by Chris Johnston

Miss Mary Baumgartner works out during an aerobics class after school to help her keep in shape.

Doing jumping jacks, senior Rob Pulver conditions for the upcoming basketball season.

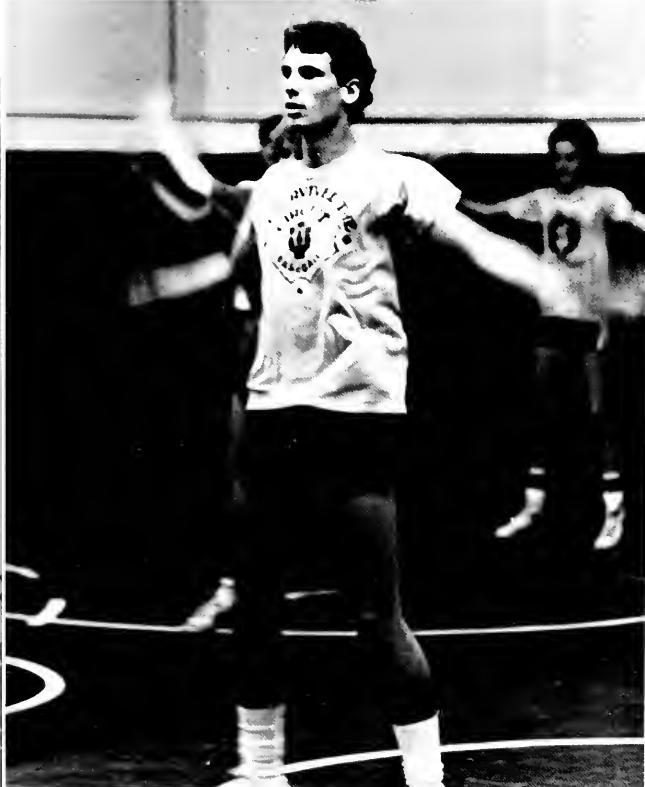


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Lifestyles of Junior High

It was a giant leap from the sixth grade to the seventh grade, but a relatively small step from the seventh grade to the eighth grade. In each case, however, changes took place in their life-styles.

The seventh grade students met new lifestyles as they came over to the high school. They had to go from being the oldest students at the elementary school to being the youngest at the high school.

When at the high school, many compensations had to be made in their lifestyles due to restrictions of age. A prime example was driving. Since no seventh grader could drive, this meant little "cruisin' with the gang" or "hanging out at the mall." Sure, they could do these things, but only with an adult or older student, and that was not the same.

At school, age had its greatest effect. The seventh grade activities, such as sports or practices had to end by 9:00 P.M. the junior high dances, unlike high school ones, which ran as late as 12:00 A.M., had to be over at 9:00 P.M. as well.

The eighth graders, unlike the seventh graders, had already been at the high school for a year. They still couldn't drive or have late dances, but some things were different in their lifestyles. They had been at the high school for a year and had the chance to make new friends. Jason Richards stated, "It was nice to be able to come back to old friends instead of having to make new ones."

Being an eighth grader also meant something academically. The class of '89 was required to earn 38 credits to graduate. Because of this, more time would have to be spent on homework instead of free time.

Overall, it was something special to be a junior high student. They didn't have the privileges of the high school students, but the activities they did have were filled with the same kind of school spirit and pride.



photo by Kien Dolson



photos by Brian Lulgens

Enjoying the 25 minutes they get for lunch break, Lori Laird, Heidi Heath, and Leslie Huber socialize after finishing their meal.

Doing what comes natural to seventh graders, these students cheer on their team and chat with friends at one of the Leo home games.

Dancing the junior high dance, eight graders Chris Cook and Jason Richards take a break from dancing to talk about who to dance with during the next slow song.

Seventh grader Scott Mueller practices his breakdancing skills. Since the beginning of the year, breakdancing has been one of the many junior high lifestyles.



Wearing a bold print sweatshirt, Dede Smith stops at her locker as Mark Henderson helps her with her books.



Out with the Old — In with the New

As each year came and went, so did the new trends. Last year was no exception.

Neon fashions and bright bold letters dominated the quickly fading parachute pants and suede boots.

For the girls, big gaudy jewelry and lace ribbons tied in the hair like those worn by Madonna became popular. Two-toned jeans and shaker knit sweaters with oversize belts were a common sight. Cropped pants and low pumps were also very fashionable.

For the guys, the typical outfit was pleated pants, oxford shirts, thin ties, and oxford shoes. This was occasionally topped off with a hat.

Sweaters with oxfords, boat shoes, and leather gym shoes never seemed to go out of style. Polos were still in, but were worn mainly during the warm months

because of the chilly classrooms.

Hairstyles also changed along with the accepted slang. Rat tails were popular among the guys, as was the bob with the girls. In speech the slang "mega-", and "I'm sure" was replaced by cocky and sarcastic talk. As Gary Larid said when he lost his homework, "I'm glad I didn't leave my chemistry and English homework on top of the car when we drove off."

As the year ended, so did the period of gaudy jewelry, fluorescent colors, rat tail haircuts and cropped pants. But even as these trends went out, new ones came in, making the year to follow as original as the last.

— Shelly Slentz
— Brian Lutgens



Jeff Kimble, being "fashionably late," walks quickly to class displaying a stylish crew neck sweater with pants to match.

photos by Brian Luigens



Walking to her next class, Katie Ridderheim wears the newest fashions including striped, cropped pants, lace gloves and sunglasses.

Still a very popular trend, Ed Busche exhibits a fashionable crew neck sweater while completing his architectural drawing.

New Trends — Lifestyles



Concentrating on getting through his turn without spilling the pop, senior Vincent Stovall, along with his teammates, guzzle their pop to win the event, unfortunately for them, they didn't win.

The junior and senior classes sit in their designated area of the bleachers which were decorated for the competition before the events started.

At the beginning of the second quarter of the basketball competition, the seniors lead the freshmen 10-5. Their game was one of the first round games to be played. The seniors ended up the victors of this game.



photos by Janice Glenn





During the boys' 130-175 lbs. right arm category, junior Darrin Chapman and sophomore Aaron VanLue battle for a victory, while Mr. Bill Kerbel judges.

Being congratulated for their victory, seniors Soren Hansen and Craig Good are all smiles after winning the tug of war.



photos by Janice Glenn

Olympics — Leo Style

Every year each class argues about who is the best. The answer was found after the 1985 Class Tourney.

Last year, around mid-March, things got a little strenuous at Leo Junior/Senior High School. There was the question of "who was the best?" Of course, the seniors thought they were and every other class was to prove otherwise — but how?

Fortunately, there was a solution — the 1985 Class Tourney. During the Class Tourney, each class had a chance to prove itself best.

There was a wide variety of events to satisfy all people, ranging from athletically inclined individuals to those who didn't consider themselves to be sports-minded.

Whether a person competed in the physical sports, such as basketball or volleyball, or the more mental sports such as ice cream eating or the egg toss, they all

contributed something important to the team; an extra chance to win.

As it turned out, the seniors won the overall competition with 207 points, proving their boasting again for the 16th time. It was the class of 1985's second win in a row. The sophomores were runners-up with 187 points. The juniors came in third with 83 points, and the freshmen finished last with 32 points. The individual event winners were as followed:

Boys' egg toss: Lance Chrisman and Scott Lothamer, freshmen

Girls' egg toss: Lisa Yoder and Dina Stovall, sophomore

Pop guzzling: Sophomores

Boys' ping pong: Ron Mancini and Kraig Brown

Girls' ping pong: Renee Rhoades and Dede Smith

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Olympics

cont.

Volleyball: Seniors

Boys' arm wrestling: *Left*

129 lbs. Ted Kuehner

175 lbs. Jack Overmeyer

U.L. lbs. Todd Mohlar

Right

129 lbs. Brian Shepard

175 lbs. Aaron VanLuc

U.L. lbs. Jack Overmeyer

Girls' arm wrestling: *Left*

109 lbs. Katie Ridderheim

130 lbs. Shelly Poling

U.L. lbs. Penny Perkins

Right

109 lbs. Leslie Meredith

130 lbs. Angie Blake

U.L. lbs. LaDena Keller

Tug of war: Seniors

Class participation: Freshman

Boys' ice cream eating: Ted Kuehner

Girls' ice cream eating: Beth Witte

Girls' basketball: Seniors

Boys' basketball: Seniors

Boys' obstacle course: Seniors

Girls' obstacle course: Seniors

It may not have been as demanding as a real sports meet, or as dramatic as the Olympics, but in its own way, the 1985 Class Tourney exceeded these events in ways felt only by the four classes competing. It gave a sense of competition toward their rivals and a chance at the thrill of victory. The winners took a great pride in their achievements, but in a sense, all who participated in the Class Tourney were winners.

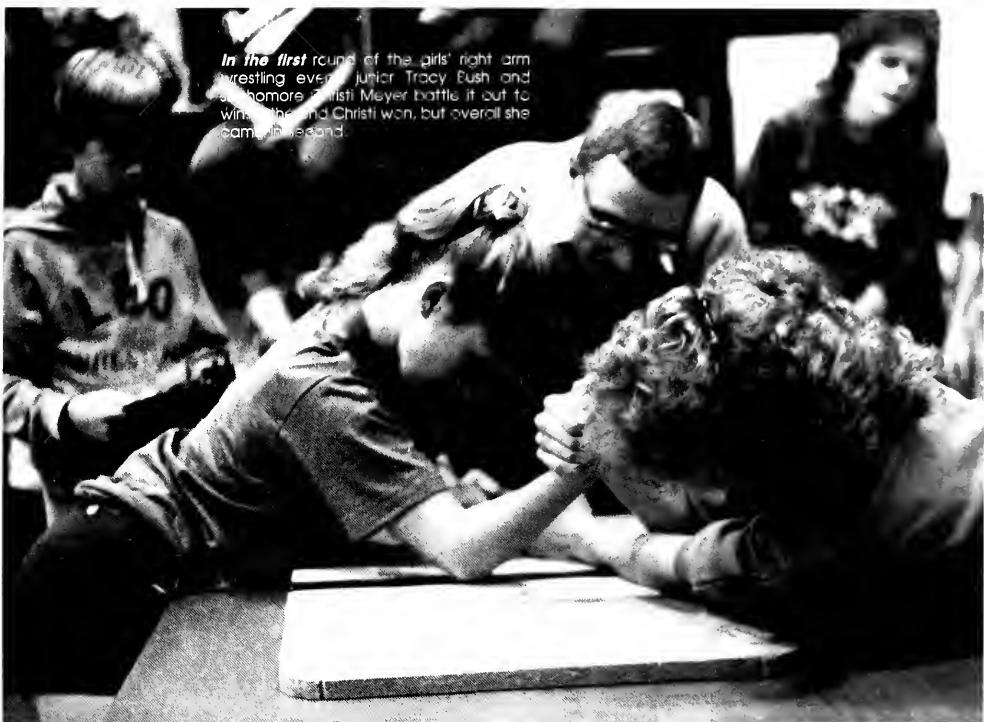
— Brian Lutgens

Participating in the ice cream eating contest, freshman Rose McCann and senior Lora Bastian inhale the very cold vanilla ice cream as quickly as possible to help their class to win the event.

Cheering their classmates on during the arm wrestling competition, these anxious participants await the final showdown.



In the first round of the girls' right arm wrestling, senior junior Tracy Bush and sophomore Christi Meyer battle it out to win. Christi won, but overall she came in second.



photos by Janice Glenn



In the volleyball match between the seniors and the juniors, the players wait for the ball to return to the court. The winner of the match was the seniors.

During the pop guzzling contest, Bob Clark tries to down his pop as fast as he can, but to his and his fellow classmates disappointment, he and his team were disqualified.





"May an August Moon Fill Your Cup."

"... August Moon, little older, little wiser ..." as viewed by the Orientals in *Teahouse*.

In the fall, the Leo Drama Club presented *The Teahouse of the August Moon*, the satire on WWII and America's plan to Democratize its enemies. John Patrick's comedy about a bungling captain enriching a small Oriental village with American principles of majority rule, capitalism, and free choice, pleased young and old audiences alike.

The humor was often enlightening. The author wanted to remind us all that perhaps there is more than one way to approach the

realistics of life.

A large cast show, *Teahouse* saw some new faces in leading roles. Both senior Tom Brewer and sophomore Tom Baker shared honors as leading actors. Tracy Busch and Samantha Lemma, along with John Overmyer and Wiley Kite, rounded out a strong cast supported by a large number of hard-working sophomores and juniors.

"Jack Overmyer added a little something extra to the play with his funny expressions and humor."

said Dan Osborn.

All members of the cast who played Orientals had to learn Authentic Japanese.

The sets and lighting were effective — there was even a real army jeep and goat on stage — the costumes were authentic, and the production good. Again, the Leo Drama Club gave us another creditable experience in live theatre.

— Jerry Elton Stover

Accepting "gifts" from his new citizens, Captain Fisby doesn't realize they have greater gifts in mind — honor, love, respect, and tradition.

Playing the role of the converted psychiatrist, senior John Overmyer made audiences laugh each night with his wry expressions and range of mannerism.



Being a gift to Captain Fisby and playing the role of the geisha girl Lotus Blossom, Tracy Busch gave all her lines in Japanese

Tom Brewer, the hurried Captain Fisby, and Tom Baker, the practical wise interpreter, lead a large cast of effective actors.



Music and Movie Video Mania Strike

The video craze took over Leo as nothing before or since, and any free time most students had was spent sitting in front of the television watching the latest videos and movies.

Instead of students trading video games such as Pac-man and Frogger, they were renting and passing around taped movies they had on cassettes.

Music videos and video taped movies became very popular last year, taking over video games.

Some television stations such as MTV were total music networks. MTV-music television was on the air 24 hours a day, seven days a week. MTV included music videos from all areas, the latest music news, special concerts, and the MTV exclusives each hour.

Even though only a small portion of the students received the MTV station many students still kept up with the music videos by watching certain shows that had videos on them such as "Friday Night Videos."

"I'm glad I have MTV so I can keep up on the latest videos," said Mitch Delagrange, one of the students who had MTV.

The videos seemed to play a large part on the record scene as well. Many experts on the music scene commented about the fact that if the video of the song

wasn't good or popular, the song would probably not make it on the charts.

Many movie videos didn't come out until a year after the movie was in the theaters.

"I don't mind waiting awhile for a good movie to come out on a cassette because it only costs about \$4.00 to rent a movie for a weekend, but if I were to take a date to a movie it would cost about twice as much to see the movie just once," said senior, Dan Osborn.

— Missy Sutton
— Michael Witt

Someone gets ready to play a taped movie on a VCR. The tapes are kept in a cover for protection.



photos by Shelly Sientz

After getting up out of a chair, a viewer attempts to find his favorite spot in a movie by fast forwarding the tape.



photo by Scott Hepler

On one of the most popular video stations was MTV. MTV was seen by only a portion of the community, but just about everyone still kept up with the latest videos.



photo by Chris Johnson

Viewing one of their video tapes, these students edit some of the errors during their mass media class.

For many, to start a video cassette recorder (VCR) is to push a button or two on the television or VCR. But with remote control, all one has to do is push a button wherever he is sitting.



Using his time wisely in in-school suspension, Marc Poe catches up on some of the assignments that the teachers have sent him.



In the study hall, isolated from everyone else, Jason Pence and Marc Poe try to fight boredom by looking at magazines.

Connie Day takes time out from her homework to try and entertain herself by looking at a magazine during her stay in in-school suspension.



photos by Missy Sutton

DO YOU
CHANGE
TAKING
YOU

Skimming through a magazine, Rick Snider listens to his radio while serving his time in-school suspension.



photos by Scott Hepler

Learning a Lesson

Getting an in-school suspension taught students, the hard way, how to stay out of trouble.

Alone in the small isolated cubical in the study hall sat a student who had received an in-school suspension (ISS) for the day.

The day started out for the student by gathering all the books that were needed throughout the day and taking them along with him to the study hall teacher, who promptly put him in the little cubical where he was seen by no one almost all day.

At lunch, Mrs. Fisher, the study hall teacher, kindly escorted him to the office where he ate his lunch by himself.

During the afternoon, he did assignments that were sent to him by his teachers for the day. At 3:10, he was finally released from isolation.

One might ask why students were put in ISS. Well, there were many answers to this question. One popular reason was being tardy to school more than the three allowable times. Some other reasons were fighting, skipping class, throwing food in the cafeteria, or swearing in class.

Being in ISS was both beneficial and harmful. ISS was beneficial because it taught students to try and stay out of trouble because being in ISS was quite boring to almost everyone. But ISS was also harmful because the student missed all of his classes for the day and he sometimes fell behind in classwork.

— Missy Sutton



A Systematic Form of Government

Acting like a branch of the White House, student council ran their meetings in an orderly fashion, similar to a mini-congress.

The 25 high school students sat gathered in the room while the tenseness of the moment built up. Keith Passwater, the student council president, spoke in a booming voice over the other members. The issue at hand was to decide a theme for homecoming. The votes were cast and a verdict was reached. It was decided that "Trainbusters" would be the 1984 Homecoming theme.

In general, the student council was like a mini-congress, with the exception that things got done at student council meetings. The people were elected into the committee by their homeroom class-

mates, which corresponded with the public in congressional races. The president of the student council was elected by the members of the council. The president was in charge of running the meetings and keeping things organized. President Keith Passwater said, "Not a lot of people showed up for the meetings, but working together, we kept things organized."

The student council, like congress, decided on different things that effect others. For congress, it is deciding on bills that will effect millions of people; but, for the student council, it was deciding on

such things as themes for Homecoming, Class Tourney, arranging MORP, setting up dances and deciding when to have spirit days. The student council also organized such community events as can or blood drives and the Special Olympics.

In general, the Leo High School student council acted as a branch like the White House; they were elected in, they voted on things, and helped make the school activities run smoothly.

— Brian Lufgens





Photo by David Soto

Putting on dances, such as MORP, was just one of the many activities student council sponsored throughout the year.

Student Council President Keith Passwater explains the object of the meeting to the other student council members.

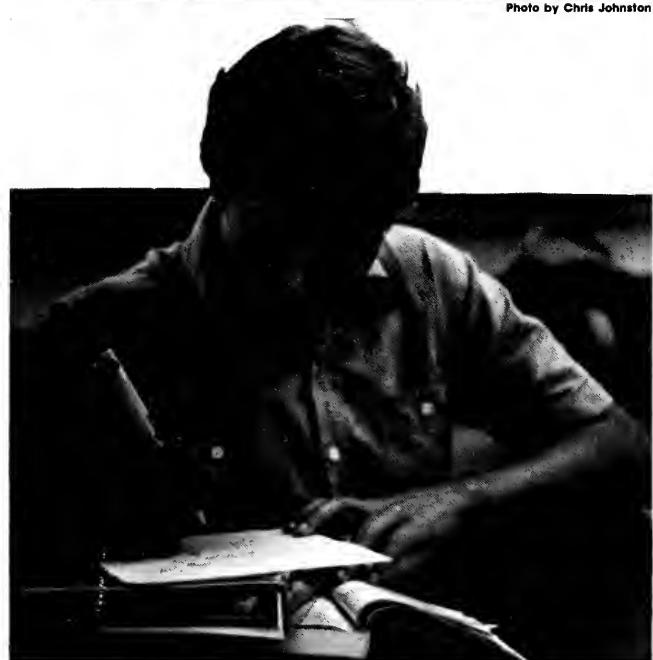


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Student Council member Brad Coolman takes notes during one of their meetings to help organize an upcoming event.

Front Row: Lora Bastian, Amy Williams, Suzanne Hohl, Paula Smead, Faith Smead, Nancy Wyman, Jack Overmyer, Tracy Busch, Janice Glenn, Shelly Barker, Samantha Iemma, Leslie Yoder, Joe Stuelpe, Monte Lengacher; Back Row: Dan Osborn, Randy L. Miller, Craig Good, Del Roth, Jon Shade, Kurt Lengacher, Brad Coolman, Bob Earl, Lisa Swartz, Aimee Richards, Michelle Delagrange, Wiley Kite.



Writing on the hand may be very handy, but ink positioning could be a threat to the avid cheater.

Once again, the cheat-sheet shows to be effective. Here a student uses a cheat-sheet stuck between the two desks and pulls it up as he needs it.

Cheat-sheets under the test, up a sleeve, or up a pant leg proves to be one of the most rewarding techniques.



photos by Mike Heitrick



Taking the Easy Way Out

Students who thought they needed to "get the grade" used many creative tactics.

Some students were honest and studied while others resorted to different, dishonest methods such as brown-nosing and cheating to assure themselves a better grade.

Last year cheating became overwhelmingly popular. Over 90% of the students polled indicated that they had cheated at least once.

These students used many techniques to get the job done. One very popular way was to use cheat-sheets. Those who used this technique found it rewarding. They usually didn't get caught and they had whatever was needed right in front of them under the test or quiz, on the seat under their legs, or up a sleeve.

Other types of cheating were the writing-on-your-hand or desk procedure, the writing-on-the-bottom-of-your-shoe method, and the dreaded look-off-your-neighbor's-paper tactic. Hopefully the neighbor was the encyclopedia-reading type person.

"I think the weirdest way I ever cheated was writing on my finger nails. Since my finger nails are so long, it wasn't too hard to write on them," stated an avid cheater.

Sometimes the tactics of cheating didn't work. Students who cheated and were caught faced rough consequences. One such case was getting suspended five days from the class and receiving a zero for the quiz or

test.

Some teachers were so determined to catch students in the act that they often accused students who hadn't even cheated.

Even though many students had cheated, some felt that the cheating epidemic should stop.

I think that cheating is bad. Students need to learn how to think for themselves," said Greg Koenig.

Although the cheating problem was out of hand, many agreed that something had to be done, but nothing seemed to halt this problem.

— Missy Sutton



photo by Mike Heitrick

Passing notes between students may be risky, but when all else fails it may be the only way to get through the test.

As the 400 meter run takes place, the spectators cheer on these very special athletes.

These volunteers get their assignments before the next running event takes place.



photos by Mike Hetrick



Many volunteers gather at the finish line in between the running events to prepare for the next event.

Mr. Boller explains to the volunteers of the special olympics where the activities would take place.



photos by Mike Hetrick

Learning Valuable Lessons

Leo High School students made time for some very special athletes.

May fourth was definitely an important day in the lives of those working at Special Olympics. Many Leo students took time out of their busy schedules to help make these special athletes feel comfortable and welcome to the Leo community and the Leo stadium.

As the athletes slowly filed onto the football field, everyone involved could feel the energy from these Olympians. The student helpers worked as greeters, timers, and lane officials.

Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary defines a winner as: "one that is successful especially through praiseworthy ability and hard work." These athletes certainly put in a lot of hard work to accomplish their goals, which for most of them was just to finish the

race.

As the kids ran their races, the determination of the athletes was clearly seen on their faces; win or lose, these kids really were winners.

Maybe it would help us all if we took the same kind of attitude as these athletes into our own lives. So many people were worried more with winning than they were with the way they ran the race. Wasn't winning worth only as much as the work that went into it? These kids certainly showed the true spirit of athletics.

We could all learn something by watching these very special athletes. As summed up best by Laura Hope, "It was really great to cheer someone on and actually see that it made a difference."

— Dan (the Oz) Osborn



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Grease . . . is the Word

For three days in April, Leo High School's Drama Club rocked back into the 50's.

In our day and age one might have asked why the school auditoria was filled with poodle skirts, bobby socks, and greased-back hair for three days. There was a good explanation for this odd occurrence: the Drama Club was putting on the musical *Grease*, directed by Mr. Jerry Elton Stover. *Grease* was about teenagers back in the 50's who had just gone back to school after summer vacation.

The leads in the cast were: exchange student Soren Hansen as Danny Zuko, Lisa Swartz as Sandy Dumbrowski, Tom Brewer as Kenickie, and April Minnick as Rizzo.

The rest of the cast and chorus consisted of many other multi-talented performers. The musical was held April 26-27 and was sold out each night.

"Knowing that it (*Grease*) was sold out, made it twice as hard because there were so many people watching," said Scott Hepler who played Doody.

The cast, orchestra, and crew members put in many long hours getting ready for the late April production. Homework became an almost unfamiliar word to many. With some being in extracurricular activities after school as well as the musical practices in

The cast of Grease sing "Summer Nights" at the beginning of the musical. Danny Zuko, played by Soren Hansen, sings his lead while the rest of the cast and chorus back him up.

the evening, very few had time to complete, let alone start their homework before class started.

"Although there wasn't time to do homework and I lost a lot of sleep, in the end it was all worth it," said April Minnick.

During the course of putting together the musical, the cast had some setbacks that could have delayed the progress of the musical, but the members adjusted and continued as if nothing unusual had happened.

— Missy Sutton



Miss Lynch, played by Carol Wever, presents prizes to Danny Zuko and Cha Cha Di Gregorio, played by Sandra Ermak, the winners of the dance contest at the prom.

Jody Grunden and **Tracy Butch** perform their dance routine during the prom scene in **Grease**.



photos taken by Julie Pardinek, printed by Scott Helper



Trying to get Rydell High excited, Johnny Casino, played by Tom Baker, introduces Vince Fontaine, played by Jack Overmyer.

Along with the rest of the cast, **Jody Grunden**, **Tim Minich**, **Lisa Yoder**, **Mark Pfeifer**, and **Dina Stovall** do the hand, **he cut**, during the prom scene.

A Night To Remember

May 11, 1985 was filled with moments that made prom night a most memorable evening.

Months of preparation, tux rentals, shopping for the right dress, asking the right person, and last minute reservations were things which led up to the 1985 Leo Prom.

Saturday, May 11, 1985, was a night to remember. On that night, at the Scottish Rite Auditorium, the magic of Prom unfolded. The hard work of the many people involved paid off.

Most of the couples ate at Fort Wayne's finest restaurants. The

romantic evening was topped off with the announcement of the court. The court consisted of: Randy L. Miller and Angie Hammons, King and Queen; Jack Overmyer and Penny Perkins, Funniest; Jon Shade and Michelle Delagrange, Most Athletic; Keith Passwater and Amy Williams, Most Likely to Succeed; Dan Osborn and Ann Howard, Best Personality; Ed Herran and Molly Cook, Best Dressed. After the Junior class president, Wiley Kite,

announced the court, the court danced to the theme song of the prom "One More Night" by Phil Collins.

After the prom ended at 12:00, most couples changed their clothes and celebrated the informal part of Prom. Such after Prom activities as going to see "The Rocky Horror Picture Show," going to Putt-Putt, and attending after-prom parties made "one more night" a night to remember.

— April Minnick



After court was announced, those elected returned to the dance floor for their spotlight dance to "One More Night."



Enjoying the prom at the Scottish Rite Auditorium, graduate Chris Kelley serves punch to junior, Marie Fogle and himself.



Newly crowned King and Queen, Randy Miller and Angie Hammons sit on the throne during the prom court presentation.

Junior president, Wiley Kite announces the 1985 prom court.



Straightening the dairy case, Mike Thornhill performs one of his tasks at C & C Supermarket.



photos by Missy Sutton

Rick Miller smiles to show just how much fun he has at his job sacking groceries at Eichel's Market.

Helping out her family by working at Crosscut Junction, Michelle Delagrange takes care of a check for a customer.



Earning the Bucks

For some students summer meant a time to earn extra money by working at a summer job.

For some, summer meant a lot of well-earned relaxation and sleeping in; but, for others summer meant earning some extra spending money through a summer job.

Many community businesses supported Leo High School students with jobs. Ice Cream Alley employed five LHS students with jobs throughout the summer, and Pizza Prize employed six. Hiring students out of the nearby community not only helped the students by supplying them with jobs, but it also contributed to the business. Other students came into their places because they knew the employees working there.

Having one job was not always enough to support some stu-

dents' lifestyles. Sometimes a part-time job didn't pay enough, so some had to find two jobs to maintain their active social lives.

Jobs weren't always easy to get, and some jobs were not available close to home. So many students turned to Fort Wayne for a job such as at a fast food chain. Junior Darrin Chapman, an employee at Arby's said, "It's a long drive, but it's money since there is no place to work close to home."

Whether it was working at such places as Ice Cream Alley, Pizza Prize, Dairy Sweet or just mowing lawns or babysitting, many students wanted to get into the action of having a summer job.

— Shelly Slientz



photos by Missy Sutton



While working at his father's gas station in Grabill, Scott Hinkle attempts to fix a tail light.

Shelly Barker uses the cash register to get change for a customer while working at Ice Cream Alley to earn extra money.

Happy to have graduated, Soren Hansen turns in his graduation gown to Mr. Gary Muncy, the Jostens representative, after the graduation ceremonies.

Shaking hands with Dr. Herbert Stuelpe, Jessica Brandt anxiously waits to receive her diploma.



Reflecting Upon Memories

As graduation day grew near, happiness and sorrow were felt by all.

After twelve years of school, it was time for the seniors of 1985 to return once more as a class. The day was May 24, 1985 and the time was 7:30 P.M. The senior class proceeded into the varsity gym for the start of the commencement ceremonies.

Many moments, both good and bad, came back to mind as graduation night drew closer. Some remembered the early years when they were just starting junior high and imagining the five long years that lay ahead. Others were calling to mind the special moments in which they were in the spot light at good ol' L.H.S. such as winning a sports event, being an outstanding student, or the other things that made one recognized.

These years seemed to pass very quickly for everyone. At some points during the school years, it seemed as if graduation

day would never arrive. But when the day finally came it appeared as though those years had flown by.

The mixed emotions at graduation were felt by all graduating seniors. Many were happy to graduate and be on their own, but at the same time they didn't want to leave behind some of their friends whom they might never see again.

After receiving their diplomas and turning their tassels, thoughts came to mind of what was ahead for tomorrow and the rest of each of their lives. For some it was off to college, for others it was finding a job, and for a few, it was starting a family.

Whatever their plans were, all had passed one important milestone and were ready to embark upon the next stage of their lives.

— Missy Sutton



With diploma and rose in hand, Molly Cook joyfully hugs and congratulates a fellow classmate.

Spending a few moments alone before the commencement ceremonies, Ann Howard takes a look at the program.



In coming senior class president, Wiley Kite, accepts the challenge of being the head of next year's senior class by taking the senior torch from Kurt Lengacher, the graduated senior class president.



At the beginning of the ACAC meet held at Leo, gymnasts await their introductions and receive their flowers before the meet begins.

Members of the varsity football team cheer on teammates as they await the scoring of a touchdown during the Leo-Garret game.



photo by Scott Hepler

Photo by Sam Pernell



Striving for Victory

Hard work, dedication, and a love for victory all combined in the team sport effort.

Sports were a major part of our lives; not only for the athletes, but also for the fans who supported them. The athletes who struggled through hard work and dedication to be the best they could be were rewarded not only by victories, but also by cheering crowds. They did it for themselves and to uphold Leo's winning reputation.

Dedication was the major ingredient in an athletes career. The football and cross-country teams faced mid-August practices when hot weather pushed the thermometer up into the 90's. The wrestlers were faced with following strict diets to keep themselves in their weight classes. All athletes also had to meet eligibility requirements by passing at least four solid classes.

Whether they won or lost, our athletes played to their fullest potential. They not only showed good sportsmanship, but they also showed that they were ...

S P O R T S





photo by Bobbi Clay

Wrestlers Keith Passwater, John Douglas, and Shannon Roberts lead the team on to the mat as well as lead the team to their best record ever.

Winning by the score of twenty-one to six, the Lions beat Garrett. The teams clash in an effort to gain possession of the ball.

Talking with the teams most valuable player Boyd Coolman, Head Coach Bill Bollier explains a play.



The reserve team practiced and played with the varsity during the season. Coach Nate Evans talks to the players before the game against DeKalb.

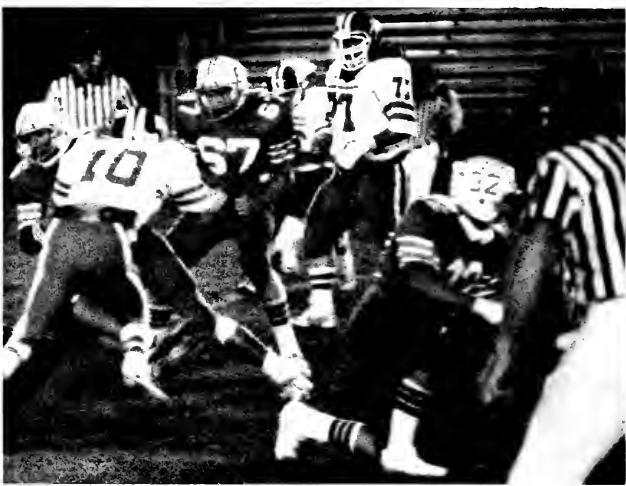


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VARSITY FOOTBALL

Eastside	12	35
South Adams	7	46
Southern Wells	0	31
Carroll	17	14
Churubusco	6	28
Woodlan	20	14
Garrett	6	21
Adams Central	35	14
Prairie Heights	17	23

season: 7-3

RESERVE FOOTBALL

Adams Central	21	14
Garrett	6	0
Central Noble	0	13
Heritage	32	12
Woodlan	12	3
DeKalb	19	0
Eastside	12	16
Churubusco	6	21

season: 3-5

FRESHMAN FOOTBALL

Churubusco	16	0
Woodlan	36	0
Angola	14	0
Carroll	40	6
Heritage	8	6

season: 0-5



VARSITY AND RESERVE FOOTBALL: (FRONT ROW): Managers Jim Earl, Brian Hoar, Mike Williams, Sam Gorden, and Peter Voigt (SECOND ROW): Jim Brewer, Lynn Delagrange, Judy Grunden, Jeff Zink, Dan Osborn, Dave Boyce, Scott Hinkle, Jess Zink, Bob McDaniel, Aaron VanLue, Coach Mike Bearman. (THIRD ROW): Coach John Markey, Matt Kelly, Sheldon Byler, Terry Doyle, Sam Powell, Chris Cox, Todd Roberts, Doug Lake, Travis Jacquay, Gary Laird, Coach Steve Zehr. (FOURTH ROW): Coach Nate Evans, Damon Lercl, Wally Miazga, Tony Hampton, Brad Fredericks, Brad Coolman, Shannon Roberts, Keith Passwater, Craig Goad, Matt Bertsch, Gary Hensley. (BACK ROW): Dave Galbraith, Doug Sanders, Boyd Coolman, John Dwinell, Jay Kimes, Brian Bauman, Randy L. Miller, Eric Hobson, Jeff Kimbel, Jon Douglas, Del Roth, Coach Bill Bollier.



FRESHMAN FOOTBALL: (FRONT ROW): Managers Brian Hoar, and Sam Gorden, Tim Minich, Jamie Shaw, Jeff Jones, Mark Liechty, Managers Charlene Knepp, Terri Bryan. (SECOND ROW): Keith Neuman, Jason Kite, Jason Sauder, Dain Bufo, Shane Blotkamp, Butch Schwaben, Lance Christman. (BACK ROW): Coach John Markey, Scott Smith, Richard Foutz, Nate Shade, Darren Harter, Coach Nate Evans.

Lions on the Loose

Breaking many long standing personal records, the varsity football team had one of the best six records in Leo's history.

Some people might have thought of a wild predatory cat who ran rampant through an area of rural countryside. Others may have believed that a small, frightened lion cub took his first trip away from the ole homestead and had gotten himself lost. Although these thoughts might have flashed through a students head, he knew what was really stalking around ready to strike. He knew it was the varsity football team because last year the Leo Lions were on the loose.

The varsity football team had one of the best six records in Leo's history. Not only did they defeat the Allen County Athletic Conference leader Heritage, but they were also three and one in the cluster playoff. Terry Doyle, Jeff Kimbel, Boyd Coolman, Dave

Boyce, and Matt Kelly broke many long-standing Lion records. The team's Most Valuable Player was Boyd Coolman. Brian Bauman and Shannon Roberts received Best Linemen while Dan Osborn and Dave Boyce were noted for being Best Linebackers. Matt Kelly was awarded the Ironman and Helmet awards and Mr. Bollier's non-starter-bust-your-butt award went to Travis Jacquay and Aaron VanLue.

Being on the reserve team was tough for the players. Although they worked hard all season, they ended up with a three and five record. The Most Valuable Player was Aaron VanLue and the Most Improved Player was Jim Brewer.

"A lot of players worked hard and did well enough to not only help the varsity in practice, but

some also played in varsity games toward the end of the season," stated Coach Bill Bollier.

The freshman football team played hard through the season. A few of the freshman improved enough during the season to gain experience and play in some reserve games. The team was led by Most Valuable Players Nate Shade and Jason Sauder and Most Improved Players Butch Schwaben, Dain Bufo, and Keith Neuman.

All of the guys took time out of their normal social time to play football. Not only did they work hard to perfect their plays, but they also made Leo a worthy opponent for any team which came their way.

— Mary Minich



photo by David Shaw

Practicing every night after school, the seventh and eighth grade teams gained knowledge and experience. Here the seventh grade, coached by new Coach Don Greer, scrimmage during practice.

Gaining Experience

Working just as hard as the upperclassmen, the seventh and eighth grade football teams gained experience and needed knowledge of the game.

Being the little fish in the big pond was a scary experience for those in Jr. High football. Although they seemed small to some upperclassmen these athletes worked just as hard.

Leo's eighth grade had a rough season. Although it was a short season, they gained the experience to make a well trained freshman or possibly a future spot on the varsity or reserve high school teams. They also learned quite rapidly what the meaning of a 'bad season' was, but they also learned ways to improve. Tim Shaw led as Most Valuable Player and Best Lineback. Best Lineman went to Ron Zimmerman.

Winning more games than both

the 1982-83 and 1983-84 Jr. High football teams put together, the seventh grade did something that no other Leo football team managed to pull off. They defeated rival Woodlan in one of their last home games. The Most Valuable Player was Jeff McKee and Best Lineback went to Gary Smith. The Best Lineman title was earned by Bobby Roberts.

The Jr. high gained experience making their plays work. Winning as many games as they did was not due to luck. They practiced hard every day and gained knowledge of what they had to do and how it was to be done. They still held their hopes of being the big fish in the big pond.

— Laurie Kroemer



SEVENTH FOOTBALL

Leo	W	L	Huntertown
Leo	L	W	Heritage
Leo	T	T	Garrett
Leo	L	W	Churubusco
Leo	W	L	Woodlan
Leo	W	L	Perry Hill

season: 3-2-1

EIGHTH FOOTBALL

Leo	L	W	Huntertown
Leo	L	W	Heritage
Leo	L	W	Garrett
Leo	W	L	Churubusco
Leo	L	W	Woodlan
Leo	L	W	Perry Hill

season: 5-1

Joking around during a game, Robbie Cook, Kirk Fitzgerald, Dave Wertman, and Rick Mishler relax before having to return to the playing field.

8TH GRADE FOOTBALL: (FRONT ROW): Tim Shaw, Dan Crick, Kurt Frederick, Sam Schwartz, Scott Byler, Dave Beers, Scott Koons, Jon Delagrange, Jason Cook, Robby Cook; (SECOND ROW): Greg Lerchel, Chad Blotkamp, John Willis, Mark Linker, Scott Hamman, Brad Carnes, Danny Ort, Tim McNeice, Rick Mishler, Dan Dubea, Manager Eli Hesterman; (BACK ROW): Coach Joe Stolte, Coach Jim Schneider, Manager Phil Sailer, Ronny Zimmerman, Mark Ackley, Chae Dolsen, Jeff Arnold, Dave Wertman, Joe Riederheim.

7TH GRADE FOOTBALL: (FRONT ROW): Jon Clark, Doug Minich, Shawn Bennett, Kyle Geise, Scott Stuckey, Colby Prough, Jason Honna, Tony Woods. (SECOND ROW): Manager Phil Sailer, Scot Mueller, Eric Loser, Matt Lake, Ferdy Jones, Matt Pocock, Jared Shaw, Manager Eli Hesterman; (BACK ROW): Jamie Grunden, Scott Blotkamp, Bobby Roberts, Gary Smith, Matt Folk, Chad Kasper, Coach Don Greer, Coach Joe Stolte.



Running on Empty

Both the girls and boys cross country teams ran in hot weather and conquered mental and physical setbacks.

If one imagined the training involved, and the abuse a cross country runner endured, he would have agreed that it was not an easy sport. Putting up with 90° temperatures while running in the summer was just one of the things a member of the cross country teams had to endure.

Even though Leo was a small school and had few runners, the teams dealt with the competitive challenge of other schools effectively.

By being supportive and helpful, the seniors led the small band of runners.

"This year's team had many young and inexperienced members, but we have accomplished

quite a lot," remarked senior Amy Williams.

One member of the boys team said that he didn't mind getting up for the practices but he wasn't as excited about having to go back for a second practice.

Last year was many of the members' first year. But with the help of the previous year's members they came out looking good.

Because of the number of first year runners, last year's boys team had a rough season. They ended up sixth in the conference and eleventh in the sectional. The captain of the team was senior Kurt Lengacher. Freshman Monte Lengacher got the Golden Guts

award; Rick Snider received the most improved runner award, and Paul Lash was granted the most valuable runner.

The girls team finished their season with an even record. Last year's captains were Krista Bufo and most valuable runner Amy Williams. Dina Stoval received the most improved runner.

Cross country was not what some people thought. Training, running in hot weather, and taking time out of their vacation were just a few of the sacrifices that the Leo cross country teams made to pull through the season.

— Cheryl Cartwright

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS CROSS COUNTRY:
(FRONT ROW): Kurt Lengacher, Jim Yan-
kosky, Jeremy Lash, Paul Lash, Marc Ven-
derly, Monte Lengacher. (BACK ROW):
Rick Snider, John Hartman, Coach Ron Du-
bach, Greg Kelley, Bob Clark.

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Leo	44	18	Garrett
Leo	30	27	Hamilton
Leo	33	22	Churubusco
Churubusco Invit	...	18th place	
Leo	15	49	Woodlan
Leo	39	16	Carroll
West Noble Invit	...	18th place	
Leo	45	18	Heritage
Leo	22	34	Southern Wells
Manchester Invit	...	10th place	
ACAC	6th place	
Leo	45	15	New Haven
Leo	43	16	Harding
Leo	47	16	East Noble

season: 8-2

JR. HIGH BOYS CROSS COUNTRY: (FRONT ROW): Chris Neuenschwander, James Hope, Craig Dubea, Jason Richards, Allan Delagrange. (BACK ROW): Coach Ron Dubach





HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY. (FRONT ROW), Yavonne Franks, Laura Hope, Dina Stovall, Jenni Richards, Amy Steininger, Amy McDaniels. (BACK ROW). Coach Ann Linson, Amy Williams, Krista Bute, Megan Prough, Manager Kristin Neuman.



HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY

Southside/Wayne/Leo	2nd
Heritage Conditioner	4th
Churubusco/Leo	1st
Churubusco Invitational	11th
Woodlan/Carroll/Leo	3rd
West Noble Invitational	12th
Heritage/Leo	2nd
Harding Invitational	13th
Manchester Invitational	10th
ACAC	5th
Harding/New Haven/East	Noble/Leo
Bishop Luers/Leo	2nd
Adams Central Invitational	1st
Sectionals	16th
	12th

season: 5-5

JR. HIGH GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY: (FRONT ROW): Andrea Payne, Ann Korte, Erin Barker, Amy Karst, Laura Premer, Jenni Steulpe, Heidi Strasser. (BACK ROW); Coach Ann Linson.



photo by Chris Johnston

JR. HIGH BOYS CROSS COUNTRY

Leo 33	22	Churubusco
Leo 39	16	Perry Hill
Leo 15	49	Woodlan
Leo 22	34	Southern Wells
Churubusco Invit	18th place
ACAC	6th place

One of the few young runners on the team, Sophomore Dina Stovall pushes ahead at a Woodlan runner during the Woodlan/Carroll meet at Carroll.

Seasoning the Rookies

The boys tennis and girls golf teams recruited a total of six freshman, two sophomores, one junior, and two seniors.

In most sports, they were the veterans; the people who had done it before and who did it again. Some returned as lettermen, others — in their second year, strived for a letter of their own.

On the other hand, there were the people who decided that last year would be the time they defied death and tried out for a varsity or reserve sport.

"Being new on the tennis team was different because you were not sure if you were going to be accepted onto the team," was how first year player Matt Moreau felt.

In both girls golf and boys tennis the 'amateurs' outnumbered the 'old pros.' Last year the veterans seasoned the rookies.

Although both sports (boys tennis and girls golf) had different concepts, they found a few

things in common. Both required skill — not just luck — to get the ball to go to the right place. Things such as swinging the club or racquet, and playing as an individual were other similarities they shared.

For both teams, the returning lettermen helped with the mental and physical aspects of their sports. Jane Reece (a returning golf letterman) said,

"I felt we had a good season for such a young team. It was a lot of work, but it was also a lot of fun."

The tennis team had a tough season. Not only did they have a lot of young players, but they also had to play many larger more experienced schools. Last year's most valuable player was exchange student Soren Hansen. The captain of the team was senior Ed Herran; while the most im-

proved player was Wiley Kite.

While the girls golf team had problems, players still showed improvement. Three out of the five players were first year golfers. Last year's captain of the team was Jane Reece and the low match average award winner was Kim Fitzgerald.

Both teams had their share of beginning players; who were eager to learn and improve. Together with the returning members, they pulled together to get through the season. Not only did the lettermen have a chance to teach others what they had learned, but the rookies gained the knowledge and positive attitudes needed to help them through a rough season and to prepare them for the future.

— Mary Minich



photo by Ann Reece

Last year's girls golf team practiced throughout the summer and into late September. While shooting nine holes at Cedar Creek Golf Course, Junior Jane Reece backs up and lines up her shot.

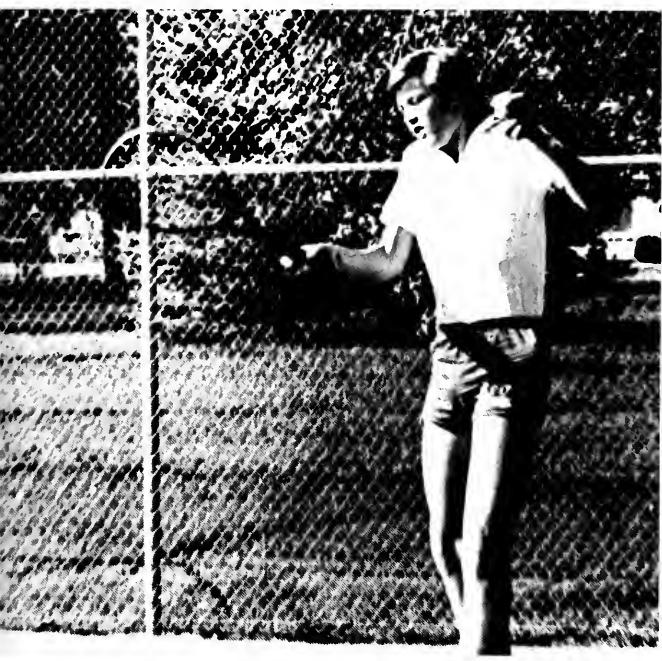


photo by Scott Hepler

Being a rookie on any team was tough. Exchange student Soren Hansen received the most valuable player award and played second position. Here, Soren takes time to improve his backhand.

BOYS VARSITY TENNIS

Northside	5	0
Snider	5	0
DeKalb	4	1
East Noble	5	0
Northrop	5	0
Dwenger	5	0
Harding	5	0
Angola	4	1
Carroll	3	3
season: 0-9		

BOYS RESERVE TENNIS

Northside	4	1
Snider	4	0
DeKalb	0	1
East Noble	2	2
Northrop	4	2
Dwenger	6	0
Harding	1	2
Angola	3	3
Carroll	0	3
season: 2-5-2		



BOYS TENNIS: FRONT ROW; Joe Stuelpe, Scott Hepler, Chris Neuhauser, Matt McRea, Greg Bauer, Scott Lothamer, Randy Cole, Paul Newberg. (back row); Coach Judy Davis, Bruce Beerbower, Vincent Stovall, Ed Herran, Wiley Kite, Mark Henderson, Soren Hansen, Kerry Grabowski, Troy Lengacher, Manager Michelle Kies.



GIRLS GOLF: (FRONT ROW); Ann Reece (BACK ROW); Marquita Mahan, Jane Reece, Coach Jerry Amstutz, Kim Fitzgerald, Mary Minich.

VARSITY VOLLEYBALL: (FRONT ROW); Leslie Yoder, Lori Hicks, Lisa Yoder, Reann Panchev, Nancy Wyman, Manager Rhonda Crowe. (BACK ROW); Coach Phil Stuckey, Angie Vendrely, Michelle Delagrange, Lisa Land, Ann Huguenard, Kim Stuckey, Tami Witt, Julie Hosier, Assistant Coach Julie Pardinek.

RESERVE VOLLEYBALL: (FRONT ROW); Renee Rhoades, Nicol Healy, Tommy Lake, Patti Hursh, Dawn Oliver, Amy Linker, Manager Rhonda Crowe. (BACK ROW); Coach Julie Pardinek, Kelly Klopferstein, Charlene Foutz, Amy Neuhauser, April Minnick, Paula Smead, Angie Hartman, Coach Phil Stuckey.



Putting her strength behind the ball, junior Lisa Land tires it over the net.

Photo by Louise Kremer



Striving to bump the ball back to the setter, seniors Lori Hicks and Michelle Delagrange get into position while players Leslie Yoder and Julie Hosier move in to assist.

RESERVE GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Bishop Luers	3	1
Harding	1	2
Eastside	1	2
Northside	0	3
DeKalb	2	1
Snider	2	0
Churubusco	0	2
Bishop Dwenger	2	0
Garrett	1	2
Concordia	2	0
Northrop	2	0
Woodlan	2	0
Adams Central	0	2

season: 6-7

Improving with Experience

The volleyball team had the knowledge of the game, but they had to learn to put it all together and face their competition.

A well hit serve, a hard spike, a quick dive, and a high bump were all part of a well played game and a well worked practice.

"I felt as a senior, that this year's volleyball season went pretty good. Everyone on the team was a real asset, and we had many good times," said Michelle Delagrange.

The season opened with the girls defeating Bishop Luers, 10-15; 15-9; 15-11, but then they took a sharp decline losing five in a row. They finished the Allen County Athletic Conference with a record of one and seven, winning one game in both the ACAC tourney and the sectional at Eastside.

The most exciting game was played in the Lion's Den against Northrop on Senior Night. The team looked forward to a good chance of defeating their many challenging opponents the next season.

Michelle Delagrange and Leslie Yoder received All-Conference Honorable Mention, while Yoder

was also named Most Valuable Player for the season. The best Setter Award was earned by Lisa Yoder and the Best Hitter Award went to Tami Witt.

The reserve team broke even last year winning one game more than they lost. They had a strong team along with a lot of determination and high expectations for the next years varsity season. They held a conference tourney record of one and three. Coach Julie Pardinek summed it up by saying, "It was a good season. We should have won some of the games we lost, but the girls tried hard. I saw a lot of improvement during the season. We should have another decent season next year."

Both the varsity and reserve volleyball teams had good seasons with the reserve season record topping the varsity season record. The quest for improvement in the reserve team plus the experience of the varsity team meant success in the future for girls volleyball.

— Laurie Kroemer

VARSITY GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

Bishop Luers	1	2
Harding	2	0
Eastside	2	0
Northside	2	0
DeKalb	2	1
New Haven	2	0
Southside	0	2
Woodlan	2	0
Snider	2	0
Churubusco	2	0
Dwenger	2	0
Adams Central	2	0
Norwell	2	0
Garett	0	2
Southern Wells	0	2
Heritage	2	1
Concordia	2	1
Woodlan	2	1
Carroll	2	1
Northrop	1	2
Southern Wells	0	2
Woodlan	2	0
Fremont	0	2
Angola	2	0

season: 7-17

Coach Stuckey, along with seniors Lori Hicks, Michelle Delagrange, and Leslie Yoder pay close attention to the referees as they explain the rules before the game.



photo by C.J. Miller

SEVENTH VOLLEYBALL: (FRONT ROW); Tracey Schaefer, Meg Cass, Angela Hartman, Jenny Orr, Chris Healy, Dana Dewitt, Manager Nikki Butler. (BACK ROW); Coach Ruth Lebzelter, Brandy Furnish, Jenny Klopfenstein, Julie Jennings, Shanna Horman, Dianne McConnell, Amy Amstutz, Coach Jack Larimer.

SEVENTH GRADE VOLLEYBALL

Garrett	1	2
Woodlan	2	1
Village Woods	0	2
Heritage	1	2
Hunertown	1	2
Woodside	2	1
Perry Hill	0	2
New Haven	2	0
Churubusco	2	0

season: 5-4



EIGHTH VOLLEYBALL: (FRONT ROW); Manager Susie Wisler, Joni Zeimmer, Mary Ulrich, Kendra Steury, Trista Hlawiger, Jamie Kimbel, Angela Butler, Manager Lori Wilson. (BACK ROW); Coach Ruth Lebzelter, Connie Harter, Vicki Grayless, Frances Gee, Beth Fogle, Beth Craig, Rita Vondran, Jennifer Wells, Coach Jack Larimer.

EIGHTH GRADE VOLLEYBALL

Garrett	2	1
Woodlan	2	1
Village Woods	0	2
Heritage	0	2
Hunertown	2	1
Woodside	2	1
Perry Hill	2	0
New Haven	0	2
Churubusco	1	2

season: 4-5



photo by Chris Johnston

Huddling together before a match, the seventh grade girls' volleyball team plan their strategy to give their opponents a run for their money.



Striving to Reach the Top

By working together in practice as well as in games, the Jr. High girls volleyball team pulled off another Allen County Athletic Conference win.

In every sport, individuals had to work together as a team to reach their highest potential. This was the case for the junior high girls volleyball teams.

With their season beginning in September and the first game not far away, both teams began to practice early.

When asked about practices, eighth grade player Jamie Kimbel said, "In my opinion the team had hard practices, but we also managed to have fun together."

Being the youngest team was rough, but the seventh grade group had a fair season. The teams most valuable player was Angie Hartman, while the im-

proved player was Dianne McConnell.

Although their season record wasn't as good as some year's past, the seventh grade girls showed their talent and pride at Heritage by bringing home the Allen County Athletic Conference trophy.

"I think we did really well, because we won the ACAC trophy. That has to prove something," stated Vicki Grayless.

The eighth grade teams most valuable player was Jamie Kimbel and the most improved player was Rita Vonderan.

With the help of coaches Ruth Lebzelter and Jack Larimer, the

teams learned from their mistakes and improved as their season progressed.

When asked what the most memorable experience of the year was, Coach Lebzelter said, "Being able to defeat two teams during tournament that we lost to during the season!"

There were feelings of victory even in defeat because what might have been done wrong earlier in the season was improved upon and the things that worked were not over until they were ready for their tournament victory.

— Cheryl Cartwright

Ruth Lebzelter wraps a seventh grade players ankle, while taking time out from coaching.

photo by Chris Johnston



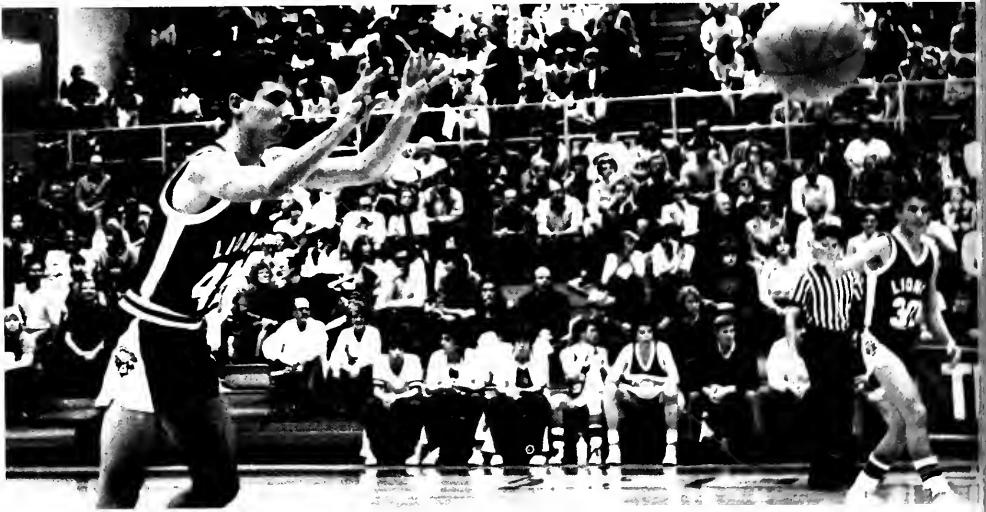


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On the varsity level, there were seven returning lettermen. Here, senior letter-winner Rob Pulver passes the ball to another Leo team member.

RESERVE BOYS BASKETBALL

Leo	23	30	Eastside
Leo	29	45	Prairie Height
Leo	24	31	Angola
Leo	37	35	Hamilton
Leo	21	42	Norwell
Leo	30	43	Woodlan
Leo	30	28	Adams Central
Leo	38	46	Concordia
Leo	30	54	Woodlan
Leo	42	47	Heritage
Leo	55	46	Churubusco
Leo	29	66	DeKalb
Leo	40	51	Carroll
Leo	41	51	Bishop Dwenger
Leo	26	25	Heritage
Leo	35	20	Central Noble
Leo	24	34	Garrett
Leo	38	54	New Haven
Leo	32	53	Lokeland
Leo	48	61	Southern Wells

season: 5-15

During a home game against Concordia, Joe Brandenberger and a Cadet go for the jump ball.

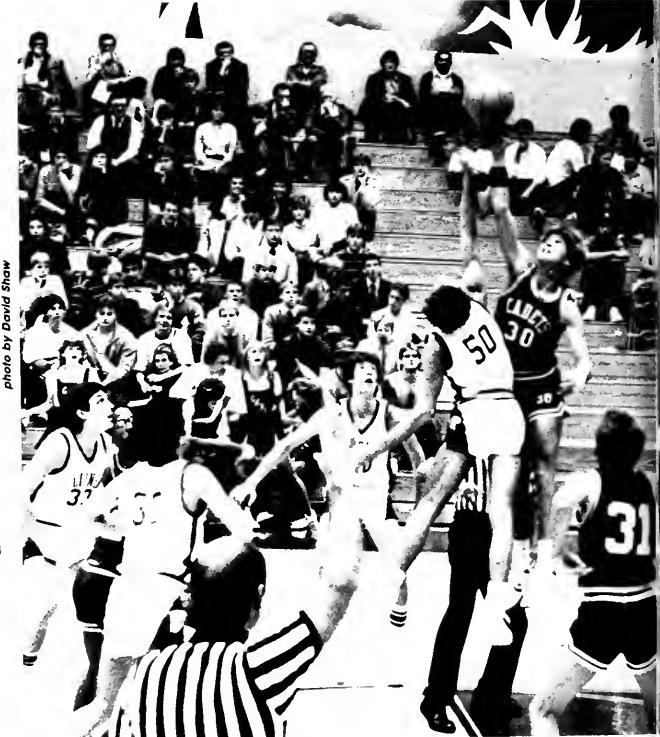


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The Three D's

Because the high school boys basketball teams held on to the three D's, people from all over the community were drawn to their games.

During the high school boy's basketball season, almost every Friday and Saturday night was marked off the ole calendar as a game night. Although some people came to see their friends, others knew the real reason to stay until the last second. The varsity and reserve teams had that special something that drew people from all over the community to watch the Lions claw their way to another victory. The Leo boy's basketball teams had the three D's: defense, discipline, and dedication.

For the varsity boys team, the season went well. The wins over Woodlan, DeKalb, New Haven and the game against Southern Wells were some of the many

highlights of the year. Leading the team in scoring were Jon Shade, Joe Brandenberger, and Mark Henderson. The leading rebounder was Mark Henderson, while the leader in assists was Boyd Coolman. Randy J. Miller had the best free throw percentage.

The reserve team consisted of six juniors, five sophomores, two freshman and one exchange student. Having a 5-15 record, the team was 3-4 in the Allen County Athletic Conference.

It was a year of change for the Lions with the dedication of our own mural on the gym wall and the retirement of twelve-year coach Richard Butt. But through the changes, the Lions held on to

the three D's; the game winning defense, the dedication, that kept them fighting and the discipline that made them the true champions they were.

— Mary Minich

VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

Leo	71	44	Eastside
Leo	92	54	Prairie Heights
Leo	42	45	Angola
Leo	73	54	Hamilton
Leo	46	47	Norwell
Leo	69	56	Woodlan
Leo	66	39	Adams Central
Leo	47	76	Concordia
Leo	59	57	Churubusco
Leo	53	51	DeKalb
Leo	54	61	Carroll
Leo	77	50	Heritage
Leo	64	70	Carroll
Leo	48	64	Bishop Dwenger
Leo	54	49	Heritage
Leo	60	33	Central Noble
Leo	49	51	Garrett
Leo	70	52	New Haven
Leo	66	64	Lakeland
Leo	71	46	Southern Wells
Leo	65	44	Hamilton
Leo	65	73	DeKalb

season: 14-8



VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL: (FRONT ROW): Randy J. Miller, Jeff Kimbel, Boyd Coolman, Jon Shade, Rob Pulver, Doug Lake. (SECOND ROW): Asst. Coach Nate Evans, Randy L. Miller, Joe Brandenberger, Daryl McConnell, Mark Henderson, Brian Baumann, Sean Lewis, Coach Richard Butt.

RESERVE BOYS BASKETBALL: (FRONT ROW): Doug Lake, Rich Dellinger, Todd Bennett, Travis Jacquay, Tony Hampton, Basil Wistler. (SECOND ROW): Coach Nate Evans, Kraig Brown, Ted Hewitt, Soren Hansen, Jay Kimes, Sean Lewis, Matt Bertsch.

Fighting to be winners

Because they hoped to some day be at the high school level in basketball, the boy's freshmen and both jr. high teams put up with some real competition.

The high school boy's basketball team found it hard enough to defeat their tough competition, but in some ways the jr. high teams had a more difficult job. This was mainly because they were not as experienced and were just beginning to understand the basic concepts.

Defeating only Garrett and Churubusco by small margins, the freshmen team had a tough season. These men gave it their all by improving their skills, their team work, and their attitudes towards the game. Hopefully, the experience they gained will be useful in

high school athletics.

The eighth grade team also had a rough season. Being led by most valuable player Mark Ackley and most improved player Joe Riderheim, the boys increased their spirit and pride. Coach Bill Bollier said the highlights of the season were the victories over Garrett and Eastside.

The seventh grade boys came through their season with a 4-7 record. They beat Woodlan 33 to 31. They lost the first game in the Allen County Athletic Conference to Perry Hill 38 to 31.

Jeff McKee received the most valuable player award. The high point man was Gary Smith while

the most improved player was Jared Shaw. Most improved non-starter was Scott Stuckey.

"You can't just play around and expect to be a good team. I think we have a lot of talent on our team and we expect to be a winning team our senior year", said seventh grader player Gary Smith.

Although the freshman and jr. high teams did not end their season with outstanding records, they did grasp some basics of basketball and learned the importance of fighting to win every game, regardless of the competition.

— Laurie Kroemer

EIGHTH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL:
(FRONT ROW) Jeff Arnold, Mark Linker,
Jon Delargrange, Dan Ort, David
Detwiler; (SECOND ROW) Jon Leman,
Dan Dubea, Robbie Cook, Tim Shaw,
Tim McNiece, Dan Crick; (THIRD ROW)
Coach Bill Bollier, Chae Dolson, Ron
Zimmerman, Mark Ackley, Joe Riderheim,
Dave Wertman, Kirk Fitzgerald,
Manager Brad Carnes.

9TH GRADE BASKETBALL

Leo	29	47	Dwenger
Leo	39	53	Heritage
Leo	37	27	Churubusco
Leo	34	54	Carroll
Leo	37	38	Eastside
Leo	37	42	Dekab
Leo	38	52	Woodlan
Leo	36	41	New Haven
Leo	25	49	Carroll
Leo	40	50	Heritage
Leo	50	38	Garrett
Leo	41	50	Angola

season: 2-10



NINTH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL:
(FRONT ROW) Manager Terri Bryan,
Brian Grieser, Lance Crissman, Tim Dini,
Scott Lothamer, Paul Webb, Chris Neuhauser,
Monte Lengacher; (SECOND ROW):
Coach Jim Schneider, Joe
Stuelpe, Jason Sauder, Keith Neuman,
Mark Miller, Joe Dye, Jaon Kite, Nate
Shade, Troy Smith.



photo by David Shaw

Eighth graders Tim McNiece, Tim Show, Ronnie Zimmerman, and Mark Linker walk out to warm up before the game.

SEVENTH GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL: (FRONT ROW) Jason Hanna, Doug Minich, Scott Stuckey, Nathan Cook, Kyle Geise. (SECOND ROW): Manager Brad Kurtz, Shawn Bennett, Colby Prough, John Sanders, Jared Shaw, Manager Craig Dubea. (THIRD ROW): Coach Mike Bearman, Ferdy Jones, Jamie Grunden, Jeff McKee, Gary Smith, Troy Hankins.



8TH GRADE BASKETBALL

Leo	24	26	Hunertown
Leo	25	56	Village
Leo	28	33	Churubusco
Leo	40	25	Garett
Leo	26	36	Woodside
Leo	27	38	Angola
Leo	29	52	Perry Hill
Leo	31	42	Dekab
season 2-6			

7TH GRADE BASKETBALL

Leo	28	59	Hunertown
Leo	36	46	Churubusco
Leo	20	19	Garett
Leo	19	42	Woodside
Leo	29	15	Angola
Leo	29	41	Perry Hill
Leo	16	46	Dekab
Leo	32	18	Heritage
Leo	20	41	Eastside
Leo	33	31	Woodlan
season: 4-7			

As the rest of the team looks on, Jared Shaw lines up for a foul shot.



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photo by David Shaw

Coming in for a short rest, the varsity Lady Lions listen attentively as coach Hey explains his strategies

VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL: (FRONT ROW): Kelly Klopfenstein, Amy Neuhauser, April Minnick, Lesley Yoder, Tami Witt, Manager Rhonda Crowe. (BACK ROW): Coach Mike Hey, Paula Smead, Julie Hosier, Michelle Delagrange, Terri Clause, Manager Mike Williams.

RESERVE GIRLS BASKETBALL: (FRONT ROW): Cindy Rayl, Renee Rhoades, Lisa Yoder, Nicol Healy, Patti Hursh, Rhonda Caswell, Heather Vendrely. (BACK ROW): Coach Terri Delagrange, Kelly Klopfenstein, Paula Smead, Angie Blake, Danielle Duch, Celeste Schaefer, Manager Rhonda Crowe, Manager Mike Williams.



Rebuilding the Ranks

Although the girls on both the varsity and reserve basketball teams were young, they seemed older in many ways.

With only two seniors, two juniors, nine sophomores, and six freshman in both the varsity and reserve teams put together, the teams were considered young. Overcoming this and the normal injuries during the season, the girl's basketball teams not only showed enthusiasm, but they also showed great courage and pride.

"We struggled because of our inside height but this team never quit. They did their best and should be proud of their team," said Coach Mike Hey.

According to Coach Hey both seniors, Michelle Delagrange and Leslie Yoder had the best years in their careers. This not only increased the varsity's chances for wins, but it also set the tone for all of the younger girls on the reserve team.

There were many highlights for the varsity girls team. Freshman Amy Neuhauser made All Conference and senior Michelle Dela-

grange and sophomore April Minnick were honorable Mentions. The team was also fourth in the conference. Receiving the most assists and best free throw percentage trophies was Amy Neuhauser, while Michelle Delagrange received the trophy for most rebounds.

"We improved a lot and had a lot of fun this year. I'm looking forward to an even better season next year," said sophomore April Minnick.

The reserve team improved greatly from the years past. Always hustling and giving 100%, the team consisted of mainly freshmen and sophomores.

Although both teams were young, the girls on them seemed more mature in different ways. By showing their pride and giving it their all, these girls not only seemed older, but were mentally and physically into every game.

— Cheryl Cartwright
— Mary Minich

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VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL

Leo	24	56	Snider
Leo	36	52	New Haven
Leo	24	43	Prairie Heights
Leo	39	53	Southern Wells
Leo	32	42	Eastside
Leo	28	43	Heritage
Leo	22	50	Norwell
Leo	36	39	Garrett
Leo	1	45	Woodlan
Leo	36	39	DeKalb
Leo	31	32	North Side
Leo	41	59	Churubusco
Leo	37	39	Adams Central
Leo	34	39	Carroll
Leo	26	57	Heritage
Leo	13	72	Blackhawk
Leo	29	55	South Side
Leo	31	48	Fremont
Leo	32	46	Woodlan

Season: 8-11

In the game against the Garrett Railroaders, Celeste Schaefer shoots for two points after getting through the tough defense. The Lady Lions defeated the Railroaders by a score of 26 to 19.

RESERVE GIRLS BASKETBALL

Leo	14	45	Snider
Leo	16	22	New Haven
Leo	16	25	Prairie Heights
Leo	31	30	Southern Wells
Leo	26	21	Eastside
Leo	16	40	Heritage
Leo	28	29	Norwell
Leo	27	29	Woodlan
Leo	26	19	Garrett
Leo	19	28	DeKalb
Leo	20	14	North Side
Leo	25	15	Churubusco
Leo	19	7	Adams Central
Leo	14	22	Carroll
Leo	30	16	South Side
Leo	32	35	Carroll
Leo	30	25	Woodlan

Season: 8-11

EIGHTH BASKETBALL: (FRONT ROW); Andrea Payne, Beth Craig, Jamie Kimbel, Trista Holwager, Deanna Dilley, Angela Butler, Beth Fogle, Alana Jacquay. (SECOND ROW); Coach Kirk Clark, Victoria Grayless, Nicole Lengacher, Cindi Van Dolan, Jenny Wells, Rita Vondran, Frances Gee, Manager Mary Ulrich.

EIGHTH GIRLS BASKETBALL

Leo	17	28	Perry Hill
Leo	27	16	Village Woods
Leo	23	40	New Haven
Leo	13	26	Churbusca
Leo	15	14	Heritage
Leo	13	28	Woodside
Leo	16	20	Holy Cross
Leo	11	30	Woodlan
Leo	39	25	Ft. Wayne Christian

season: 3-6

SEVENTH BASKETBALL: (FRONT ROW); Lisa Wright, Tracy Shafer, Laura Miller, Nikki Butler, Heidi Heath, Angela Kurtz, Stephanie Vondran, Lorie Thornhill, Tara Mohler. (SECOND ROW); Coach Gerry Donahue, Carey Roth, Leslie Huber, Amy Amstutz, Julie Jennings, Shanna Hormann, Dianne McConnell, Andrea Robinson, Manager Lori Gaul.



Starting at the Bottom

Gaining experience and working together as a team, the Jr. High girls basketball teams slowly rose up the ladder.

Maybe it was because they were so small that made it so hard to have a winning season, or possibly it was because they were not as experienced as those on the high school girl's basketball teams. Participating on a jr. high team helped these younger students gain the experience they needed to go on to high school basketball.

The seventh grade girl's basketball team had a sensational season. Remaining undefeat-

ed during the season, the girls brought home the Allen County Athletic Conference title by defeating Adams Central 19 to 15 in the last game of the tournament. Leading the team as Most Valuable Players were Diane McConnell and Shana Hormann. The most improved player was Heidi Heath.

Pulling through another season, the eighth grade girls won three games. Although their wins were few, they really did

win with their attitudes and enthusiasm for the game. Named as the Most Valuable Player was Jamie Kimbel while the most improved player was Beth Fogle. Alana Jacquay received the best attitude award.

Both teams fought hard during the season. Even though they started at the bottom of the ladder, they advanced quickly towards the top.

— Laurie Kroemer



Jenny Wells Jumps to get an edge on the ball and give it to a nearby teammate. The rest of the players prepare to receive the ball.

SEVENTH GIRLS BASKETBALL

Leo	39	20	Perry Hill
Leo	23	14	Village Woods
Leo	12	7	New Haven
Leo	27	11	Churubusco
Leo	27	15	Heritage
Leo	25	16	Woodside
Leo	32	17	Holy Cross
Leo	41	14	Woodlan

season: 8-0

Jamie Kimbel aims for the basket as Vicki Grayless, Alana Jacquay, and Tristi Holwager gather around for the rebound

photos by Scott Hepler



Jr. High Bas

- Sports

Every Man for Himself

"Go for the takedown!" "Turn him over!" "Get that pin!" These were just some of the things heard from coaches, parents, and fans of the wrestlers as they were facing their opponents on the mat.

Many might have thought of wrestling as a team sport, but when one thought about it, the sport was more an individual struggle for the athletes. Not only did they have to physically beat the man across the mat, but they also had to mentally psych themselves up to do it for the team and to satisfy their own standards.

From the 98's to the heavy weights, they were all determined to win. They worked their hardest to get down to weight. They trained and struggled before every meet hoping to get a pin and a blue ribbon.

When a wrestler stepped onto the mat there were many thoughts going through his head. There were records to beat, the Lion Pride to uphold, and the price each man had to pay if he lost his match.

Staring at their opponents across the mat while being introduced at the Garret meet, Jody Grunden and Mike McCullers prepare themselves for their match.

HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

Leo	38	29	Eastside
Leo	41	24	New Haven
Leo	42	22	Carroll
Leo	25	38	Adams Central
Leo	59	11	Garett
Leo	56	13	Heritage
Leo	59	9	Churubusco
Leo	40	15	Norwell
Leo	24	40	Elmhurst
Leo	31	24	Woodlan
Leo	42	24	Angola
Leo	53	24	Bishop Luers
Leo	32	32	Dekalb

Woodlan Tournament 3rd
Adams Central Tournament 5th
ACAC Conference Tournament
4th
Sectional 2nd
Regional 7th
season: 10-2-1

"Knowing that you would have a hard practice the day after if you lost your match made winning so much more glorious, and losing so much more painful," replied Jeff Kroemer.

When tournament time rolled around, the practices became harder and the individual concentration increased. When wrestling in a tournament each man was for himself. It wasn't if the team won or lost or even how they ranked. The performance of each wrestler determined whether or not each one as an individual would go on to the state finals.

Last year the wrestlers had the best season in Leo Wrestling. With this an ego boost for the next year's team there was even more determination to beat that record. Ending

photo by David Shaw

the season with the most points and the most pins was Brad Coolman. Captain of the team was Keith Passwater. Most Improved was Jeff Zink.

The jr. high guys had an excellent season ending with a record of 5-2. There was a lot of determination and spirit within the team and in every individual. The team through all the weight classes was very balanced. These wrestlers were very aggressive and fast at maintaining pins.

"The main cause of success this year has been the time and dedication that Jeff Handlin has put forth. He really worked hard on fundamentals," said Coach Bill Kerbel.

Holding a super record last year was a hope for future wrestling teams.

— Laurie Kroemer





Holding a season record of 17-2, senior Mike McCullers edges his opponent's shoulder down for another pin.

photo by David Shaw



HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING: (FRONT ROW) Jerry Lathamer, Craig Ward, Rob Brouse, Jeff Kroemer. (SECOND ROW) Jeff Zink, Jess Zink, Jeremy Lash, Paul Lash, Jody Grunden. (THIRD ROW) Damen Lercel, Todd Roberts, Matt Kelly, Shane Blotkamp, Keith Passwater, Jerry Fesenden, Michael McCullers. (BACK ROW) Assistant Coach Glen Gerke, Jon Douglas, Wayne Stoltz, Brad Coolman, Brad Frederick, Coach Bill Kerbel.

JR. HIGH WRESTLING

Leo	24	22	New Haven
Leo	21	49	Woodside
Leo	31	21	Garrett
Leo	32	51	Eastside
Leo	38	28	Woodlan
Leo	53	24	Heritage
Leo	33	46	Churubusco
Leo	41	4	Dekalb
season: 5-3			



JR. HIGH WRESTLING: (FRONT ROW) Manager Rick Weber, Rick Mishler, Brad Kurtz, Jerad Hartman, Craig Dubea, Kurt Frederick, Rick Busch, Jamie Grunden. (SECOND ROW) Jason Cook, Shawn Locker, Chas Kasper, Chad Blotkamp, Dan Dubea, Norman McCann, Matt Lake (BACK ROW). Coach Jeff Hand Ron Zimmerman, Matt Faulk, Scott Blotkamp, Jeff McKee, Greg Lercel, Coach Joe Stoltz

Doing the Impossible

Being on a gymnastic team meant a lot of hard work that brought rewards such as determination and pride.

The music had started. Muscles tensed, the mind sharpened, and the rhythm flowed as she ran down the mat for her first pass. Head-over-heels she sliced into the air and amazingly enough, landed upon her feet — gracefully.

After a series of spectacular acrobatics and rhythmically accented dance steps, she moved into the corner of the mat for her last pass. The colors and sounds blended and then increased as she tumbled towards the end of her routine. After saluting the judge, she walked off the mat proud; of her school, of her performance, and of herself.

Many people never realized the time and effort that was necessary for a successful gymnastic routine. Whether it was the floor exercise, the balance beam, the

uneven bars or the vault, frustration along with many strained muscles and tears always came into play.

"Gymnastics is a great sport that not only involves a lot of work physically, but also mentally," said Christi Meyer.

Losing only one match to Woodside, the jr. high varsity team had a very successful season. Not only did these girls work hard, but they also improved their skills and attitudes towards gymnastics. On this level, eighth grader Karen Witte received the most valuable gymnast award.

The reserve jr. high team pulled together and were undefeated during the season. All-around winners for the reserve team were Lisa Meyer and Amber Firman.

The optional team had a pretty even season, while the intermedi-

ate team had a tough season. Although both teams consisted of underclassmen, they pulled together throughout the season. Melissa Schimoller was named all conference, and she and Amy Miller went to regionals.

Doing handstands on the high bar, running full speed down runway towards an almost completely stationary object, or leaping upon a beam about four feet off the ground and four inches wide, obviously proved that gymnasts had a zest for adventure, danger and thrills for the unknown. They possessed a talent that not only included coordination, but also grace. The girls on the Leo jr. high and high school gymnastic teams had that talent and the willingness to succeed.

— Mary Minich

JR. HIGH VARSITY GYMNASTICS

Leo	92.53	83.8	Perry Hill
Leo	95.2	101.4	Woodside
Leo	92.7	66.0	Heritage
Leo	97.0	79.3	Eastside
Leo	105.1	90.6	Huntertown
Leo	107.4	100.2	New Haven

season: 5-1

Dina Stovall, one of the gymnastics members who placed, shakes Mr. Platt's hand and receives her ribbon signifying a fine performance.

JR. HIGH RESERVE GYMNASTICS

Leo	78.0	35.7	Perry Hill
Leo	86.2	59.2	Heritage
Leo	97.6	87.6	New Haven

season: 3-0

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INTERMEDIATE GYMNASTICS

Leo	55.2	25.85	Carroll
Leo	70.4	80.5	Snider
Leo	73.1	60.7	Harding
Leo	60.5	78.4	Herritage
Leo	66.4	76.4	Northrop
		89.5	Norwell
Leo	66.8	68.9	Southern Wells
		78.4	Dekalb
Leo	42.85	67.25	North Side
Leo	49.6	83.9	East Noble
		71.6	Lakeland

3rd in A.C.A.C.

season: 3-8

Concentrating on her next move, Angie Vendrely tries to get the best score possible on the uneven parallel bars in one of their gymnastics meets.

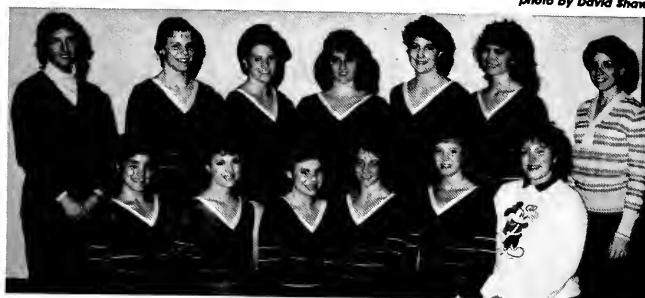


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OPTIONAL GYMNASTICS

Leo	78.8	41	Carroll
Leo	81.7	98.7	Snider
Leo	81.1	24.8	Harding
Leo	78.4	47.9	Herritage
Leo	86.6	96.35	Northrop
		91.9	Norwell
Leo	83.7	55.5	Southern Wells
Leo	83.45	105.6	North Side
		89.6	Dekalb
Leo	91.1	85	East Noble
		60.75	Lakeland

2nd in A.C.A.C.

4th in Sectionals

season: 6-5

HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASTICS: (FRONT ROW): Melissa Schimmoller, Amy Miller, Alison Keller, Christi Meyer, Paula Kitzmiller, Manager Line Hansen. (BACK ROW): Coach Amanda Blevins, LaDena Keller, Beth Witte, Aimee Richards, Theresa Hermon, Angie Vendrely, Coach Liz Carper.



JR. HIGH GYMANSTICS: (FRONT ROW): Jenny Orr, Jennifer Stuelpe, Erica Nixon, Karen Witte, Michelle Rhoades, Heidi Strasser, Lisa Meyer, (SECOND ROW): Jennifer Boller, Christa Pence, Lori Laird, Kris Healy, Tracey Boward, Kathy Sutton, Amber Firman. (BACK ROW): Coach Karen Butt, Susie Arnett, Tisha Byler, Mandy Schiel, Erin Barker, Jodie Roach, Manager Anne Korte.

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS TRACK: (FRONT ROW) Manager Tammy Mullins, Joe Brandenberger, Travis Jacquay, Bob McDaniel, Paul Lash, Matt Kelley, Darrin Chapman, Scott Hepler, Aaron Vanlue, Manager Robin Fosdick, (SECOND ROW) Manager Cheri Crooks, Craig Good, Terry Doyle, Jeff Kimbel, Bob Clark, Todd Roberts, Jay Kimes, Charlene Foutz, (THIRD ROW) Coach Tom Steinhouse, Dave Roberts, Troy Lengacher, Randy L. Miller, Keith Neuman, Ted Hewitt, Jeff Yankowsky, Chris Cox, Rick Ehlers, Coach Bob Walton.



Gaining a Win

Joining together in a united effort, the boys' track teams worked together for another victory.

What went into a boy's track team? Many might have thought that it was just a group of guys who went out to the track and ran in circles until they were dizzy. In reality, it was a group of men that joined together for a common cause. They worked and endured pain to gain another victory for the Lions.

Although the high school boy's track team had many setbacks, off-days and the loss of key seniors, the team members pulled together and pushed through another season. Some of the many highlights of the season included the retiring of Coach Bob Walton after twenty years of coaching track at Leo and the breaking of the high jump record at six feet and ten inches by senior Joe

Brandenberger.

The jr. high boy's team had a great season. With their only loss to Huntertown by five points, the team was almost undefeated and placed second in the Allen County Athletic Conference. The most valuable players were Mike Bertoli and Norm McAnn. Those two, along with the other men on the team, could help the future of the boy's track program at Leo.

"Even though we were almost undefeated, we had a lot of fun," said seventh grader Doug Minich.

So, the next time you see the boys' track teams running on the track, don't think of them as just getting dizzy, think of them pulling together to gain another victory.

— Mary Minich

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS TRACK

Leo	62	65	Garrett
Leo	29	97	Heritage
Leo	50	77	Carroll
Leo	89	38	Churubusco
Leo	44	83	Angola
Leo	66	61	Woodlan
		69	Dekab
Leo	21½	63½	East Noble

season: 2-6
over-all season: 18-21

JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL BOYS TRACK

Leo	74	35	Garrett
Leo	76	32	Woodlan
Leo	67	42	Heritage
Leo	62	43	Churubusco
Leo	62	47	Perry Hill
Leo	52	57	Huntertown

season: 5-1

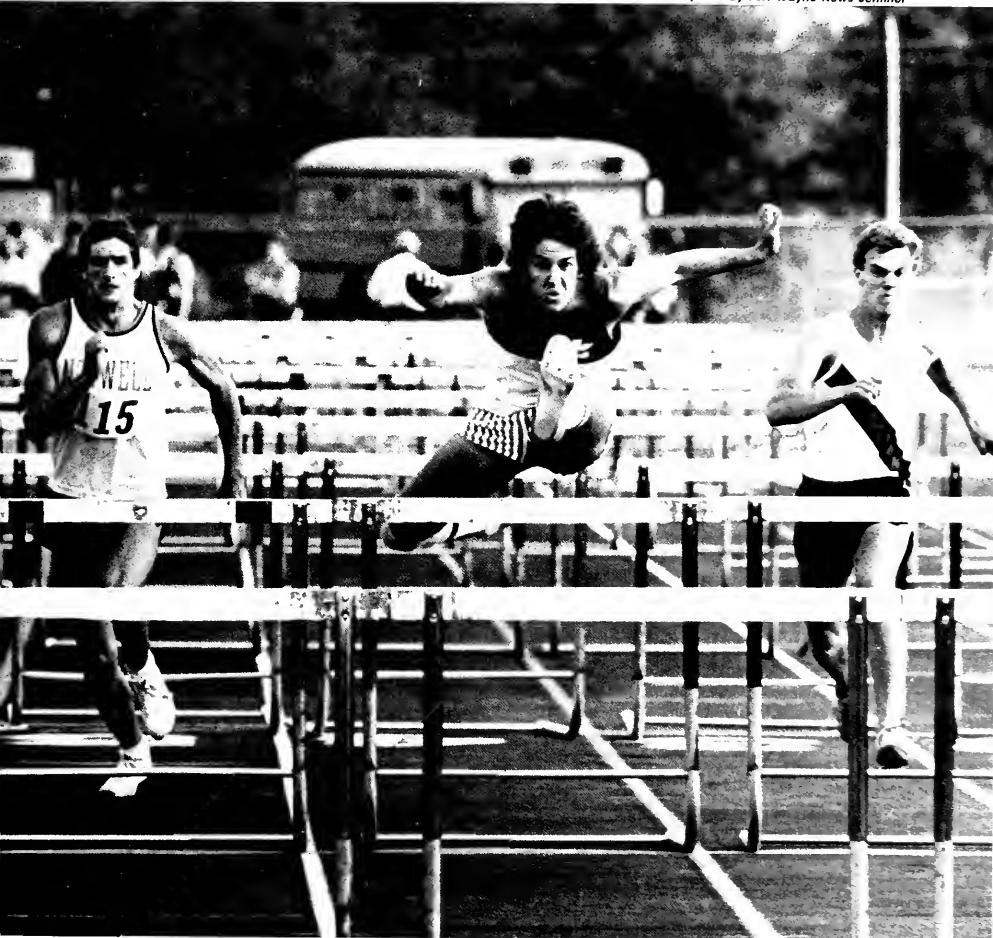




JUNIOR HIGH BOYS TRACK (FRONT ROW, PAY DILIS, DOUG MINICH, JASON HARRA, KYLE GEISE, TONY WORDS, SCOTT STUCKEY, JARED SHAW, (SECOND ROW), Manager CAROL BEA, COLBY PROUGH, SHAWN BENNETT, FERD JONES, DOUG STUCKEY, DAVE BAILEY, CRAIG DUBEAU (THIRD ROW), CHARLIE LAWRENCE, JEFF MCKEE, TIM SHAW, DAN ORT, TOM MCARIN, KURT FREDRICKS, CHAD BOKAMP, Manager JOHN WILLIS (FOURTH ROW), DAVE WERTMAN, RON ZIMMERMAN, BOBBY POLOSKY, JOE RIDDERHEIM, MARK ACKLEY, MIKE BERTOLI, GARY SMITH, Coach HIRN SCHNEIDER

Senior Randy L. Miller leads the field in the 110-meter high hurdles in the A C A C meet at Churubusco

photo by Fort Wayne News Sentinel



HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TRACK: (FRONT ROW) Beth Hammons, Pam Alwine, Amy McDaniel, April Minnick, Amy Williams, La-Dena Keller, Terri Bryan, Angie Collins, Heather Huntington, Laura Hope, Yavonne Franks. (SECOND ROW); Coach Dan Greer, Coach Ann Linson, Manager Rhonda Crowe, Michelle Wearley, Leslie Ort, Cheryl Cartwright, Debbie Peters, Angie Blake, Megan Prough, Lisa Peters, Paula Smead, Tami Witt, Mary Minich, Kim Stuckey, Coach Jack Larimer, Manager Dianne Slough, Manager Julie Banta.



JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS TRACK: (FRONT ROW); Kate Bloom, Andrea Payne, Deanna Dilley, Jenifer Stuelpe, Jenny Orr, Kathy Sutton, Pam Wifmer, Marsha Wiblin, Heidi Strasser. (SECOND ROW); Kris Sivits, Cara Collins, Angie Butler, Stephanie Vardran, Nikki Butler, Lori Laird, Amber Firman, Jenny Boller, Laura Miller, Meg Cass, Heidi Heath, Manager Carey Roth, (THIRD ROW); Laura Premer, Mary Ulrich, Kendra Steury, Tracy Schafer, Jenny Lengacher, Wendy Baumman, Lisa Meyer, Dana DeVitt, Erin Barker, Jamie Kimball, Ann Karte, Amy Amstutz, Leslie Huber, (FOURTH ROW); Coach Karen Butt, Jenny Wells, Rita Vardran, Dawn Coleman, Lori Wilson, Tami Kitchen, Julie Jennings, Dianne McConnell, Shanna Harmon, Chris Straughn, Frances Gee, Amy Clay, Coach Kevin Jehl.



HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS TRACK

Leo	66	43	Garrett
Leo	27	82	New Haven
Leo	26	83	Heritage
Leo	21	87	Carroll
Leo	35	74	Churubusco
Leo	48	61	Angola
Leo	14	95	Woodlan
		71	DeKalb
Leo		57	Homestead

season: 1-8

JUNIOR HIGH GIRLS TRACK

Leo	70	30	Woodlan
Leo	65	35	Heritage
Leo	69	31	Garrett
Leo	47	53	Churubusco
Leo	37	63	Perry Hill
Leo	43	57	Huntertown

season: 3-3

A Little Extra

Along with winning their first meet in three years, the girls on the high school track team beat many school and personal records.

It Happened. Joining together as a team, the high school girls track team won a meet against the Garrett Railroaders. After three years of losing time and time again, these girls proved that they had something special. That something extra included their teamwork, sportsmanship and their Lion pride.

Even though they had a losing season, the girls on the high school team won in other areas. The 400, 800, 1600 meter runs and 1600 relay times were all broken. Many of the girls also broke their own individual times and distances.

"I feel that our team did very well even though our record didn't show it. Many of us broke personal or school records and

learned a great deal about sportsmanship and working together," said sophomore sprinter Cheryl Cartwright.

Although the junior high track team had an even season, the girls pulled together and finished a strong third in the Allen County Athletic Conference. Many of the girls placed high in that meet. The most valuable players were Amy Clay, Jenny Orr, and Jamie Kimbel.

Having something specific didn't mean that the girls on the team had to win every meet. However, having that extra something improved every aspect of competition; attitude, fundamental learning and the desire to win.

— Mary Minich

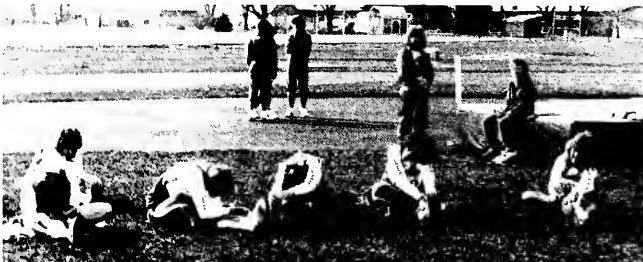


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Running a very vigorous mile, Beth Hammons and Megan Praugh try to pull away from the Angola team.

In the 100 meter dash, April Minnick, Pam Alwine, and Terri Bryan hustle to beat two Angola competitors.

Thinking and feeling that she'll never finish running, freshman Paula Smead pushes herself to make it to the finish line.



Before the meet the girls stretch to prevent injuries and to make sure they're warmed up for competition.

BOYS GOLF

Leo	182	161	Concordia
Leo	173	162	Bishop Dwenger
Leo	170	168	Heritage
Leo	175	154	Carroll
Leo	173	172	Blackhawk
Leo	176	168	Dekalb
Leo	179	177	Snider
Leo	198	179	Angola
Leo	179	177	Woodlan
Leo	168	197	Garrett
Leo	176	166	South Side
Leo	170	170	New Haven
Leo	160	158	Churubusco
Leo	160	148	Hading

season: 1-13-1

Being on the girl's tennis team was not all fun. A lot of time and practice came into play. Number one singles and Most Improved Player Lisa Swartz practices her serves.

VARSITY GIRLS TENNIS

Leo	2	3	DeKalb
Leo	3	2	Wayne
Leo	4	1	Harding
Leo	3	2	Northrop
Leo	3	2	Adams Central
Leo	5	0	Angola
Leo	2	3	East Noble
Leo	1	4	Norwell
Leo	3	2	Carroll
Leo	0	5	North Side
Leo	2	3	Snider
Leo	4	1	Elmhurst

season: 7-5

GIRLS TENNIS: (FRONT ROW); Jami Carey, Charlene Knepp, Amy Neuhauser, Kelly Klopfenstein, Dina Stovall, Nancy Wyman, Christi Meyer. (SECOND ROW); Coach Judy Davis, Leslie Yoder, Lisa Swartz, Michelle Delagrange, Lisa Land, Tammy Lake, Melanie Brandt, Lisa Yoder, Coach Eileen Notevine.

BOYS GOLF: (FRONT ROW); Dave Alexander, Trent Mosier, Mitch Delagrange, Tim Minich, Paul Newburg, Joe Dye. (SECOND ROW); Coach Jerry Amstutz, Jason Kite, Doug Sanders, Brad Fredricks, Mike Hetrick, Vince Stovall.



photo by Sam Powell



Recognizing the "Real Pros"

The boy's golf team and the girl's tennis team used their skills to increase team pride and competitiveness.

When people thought of golf or tennis, John McEnroe, Arnold Palmer and Martina Navratilova came to mind. But, there were many team members at Leo High that gained recognition for not only their playing ability, but also their team spirit and sportsmanship.

Some people never realized the time and effort that went into playing golf and tennis for Leo. Most of the golf players practiced all summer and took lessons from many of the area pros. Some of the tennis players went to camps and became members at local racquetball clubs. Not only did the players learn the fundamentals, but they also sharpened their skills as contenders.

The boys golf team had a rough season. It consisted of four freshman, four sophomores, two juniors, two seniors and one new coach, Jerry Amstutz. Although the team was young, they improved their skills and their competitiveness. Finishing fourth in the Allen County Athletics Conference, the team also placed fourth in the East Allen County School Tourney. Team captain Brad Fredricks, who had the lowest match average, was the only team member to advance to regionals.

Turning in a great season, the girls tennis team had the best record of any tennis team at Leo. The team not only tied for fourth in the DeKalb Invitational, but

they also placed second in the Allen County Athletic Conference. Most valuable players Michelle Delagrange and Lisa Yoder, who played number one doubles, placed first in the A.C.A.C. The Most Improved Player was senior Lisa Swartz.

Sports like golf and tennis were learned through experience, helpful coaches and a natural ability for the game. So, the next time you are thinking about hitting a few across the net or teeing a few balls towards the green, don't think of Bjorn Borg or Jack Nicklaus, think of the Leo boys golf and girls tennis teams.

— Mary Minich



photo by Jane Reece

RESERVE GIRLS TENNIS

Leo	2	3	DeKalb
Leo	1	4	Wayne
Leo	1	4	Adams Central
Leo	3	2	Angola
Leo	2	3	Harding
Leo	0	5	North Side
Leo	3	3	Snider
Leo	3	2	Elmhurst
Leo	2	3	Norwell
Leo	4	1	Carroll
Leo	1	4	East Noble

season: 3-7-1

The boy's golf team played at Cedar Creek Golf Course in rain or sun. Team captain Brad Fredricks prepares to drive the ball towards the green.



photos by Chris Johnston



Senior Jon Shade winds up and then throws the ball towards the plate in a home game.

Preparing to catch the ball, senior Del Roth stops a play at first base

Leadership wins A.C.A.C.

Sound defense, good hitting and great pitching helped Leo's baseball team pull off an A.C.A.C.

At the bottom of the seventh, the score was Norwell — four and Leo — one. After getting on base, Dave Boyce was driven in by Jon Shade. Two other players got on base. The bases were loaded. The Allen County Athletic Conference title was on the line. Sophomore Dick Reed stepped up to the plate. He doubled and drove in three runs. The Lions captured the A.C.A.C. title by the score of five to four.

The six seniors led the team and helped increase team spirit as well as their fundamentals. Jon Shade received the trophies for the highest batting average and the most RBI's, and he also broke the school record for the most homeruns in a career with 28. With an earned run average of .875, senior Rob Pulver won the other trophy for the highest ERA.

Seniors Randy J. Miller and Jon Shade were named All Conference, while Dave Boyce, Rob Pulver and Del Roth were named All Conference Honorable Mentions.

"The team was capable of winning a sectional because of our pitching (Jon Shade and Rob Pulver), good defense, and some solid hitting. It didn't work out this year, but I felt the team led by the seniors was one of the best I have coached," said Coach Mike Hey.

Although the team lost to East Noble two to three in the last sectional game, the team won in many other ways. Not only did they capture the A.C.A.C., but they also gained confidence in themselves and in the team.

— Mary Minich



photos by Chris Johnston



VARSITY BOYS BASEBALL (FRONT ROW): Nick Kitchen, Randy J. Miller, Dave Boyce, Doug Lake, Dick Reed, Nate Shade, Ed Busche. (SECOND ROW): Sean Lewis, Del Roth, Rob Pulver, Jon Shade, Dave Shaw, Todd Bennett, Gary Laird, Coach Mike Hey.

VARSITY BOYS BASEBALL

Leo	7	11	Harding
Leo	4	14	DeKalb
Leo	7	1	Southern Wells
Leo	3	1	Southern Wells
Leo	2	0	Hamilton
Leo	3	2	Carroll
Leo	8	0	Eastside
Leo	6	3	Snider
Leo	8	1	Snider
Leo	4	5	Woodlan
Leo	6	3	Adams Central
Leo	11	1	Adams Central
Leo	5	0	Churubusco
Leo	7	8	Heritage
Leo	9	8	Heritage
Leo	15	1	Black Hawk
Leo	5	0	Columbia City
Leo	10	9	Columbia City
Leo	9	1	Garrett
Leo	7	3	South Side
Leo	5	4	Norwell
Leo	88	2	Angola
Leo	8	7	North Side
Leo	2	3	East Noble

season: 19-5

After hitting the ball, senior Randy J. Miller runs for first base, while senior Dave Boyce prepares at bat.



Senior Dave Shaw hits the ball and advances to first, while senior Del Roth scores.

RESERVE BOYS BASEBALL: (FRONT ROW): Jody Grunden, Charlie Panchev, Scott Lothamer, Monte Lengacher, Chris Neuhouser, Tim Dini, Dick Reed. (SECOND ROW): Nick Kitchen, Matt Berisch, Ed Busche, Gary Laird, Nate Shade, Lance Christman, Coach Kirk Clark.



Photo by Chris Johnston

Planning out the annual homecoming skit, the varsity and both reserve squads raise class as well as school spirit.

Cheering With a Smile

By preparing, doing other things around the community, and making changes in the voting procedure, the cheerleaders added spirit to both the student body and the players.

Many people thought that cheerleading meant a group of girls who yelled and showed off in front of the crowds. In reality these girls worked hard to show school spirit and pride. Going to competitions, camps, and competing against the other members in the squad, were ways in which the cheerleaders strived to be the best that they could have been.

There were many physical qualifications a cheerleader had to have to make a squad. They not only had to be rowdy, but their timing and motions had to be precise. If one person was not on time, the rest of the girls looked bad. The varsity, both reserves, the freshman, and the

seventh and eighth grade cheerleaders practiced and prepared so that things like that didn't happen.

How did all the high school groups prepare? During the summer, the varsity and reserve squads went to the Universal Cheerleading Association Camp at Purdue University, while the freshman went to Ball State. There, the cheerleaders learned new cheers, chants, dances, and different ways to get a crowd motivated during a game.

"Cheerleading is an experience. It's not only fun, but it teaches you how to get up in front of people," said Laurie MacQueen, a sophomore cheerleader.



VARSTY CHEERLEADERS: (FRONT ROW); Tom Brewer, (SECOND ROW); Eric Hobson, Faith Smead, Jack Overmeyer, Aaron VanLue, Tracy Busch, Scott Hepler, (THIRD ROW); Lori Hicks, Lisa Swartz, (TOP ROW); Deb Short.



RESERVE "A" CHEERLEADERS: Beth Witte, Marie Fagle, Dina Stovall, Christi Meyer, Shelly Barker.



FRESHMAN CHEERLEADERS: Stephanie Diermer, Michelle Wearley, Renea Miller, Shelly Nicols. Not pictured: Lesley Meredit.

During a time out, the varsity cheerleaders try to boost the spirit of the fans. Senior Scott Hepler raises his arm to help his partner Tracy Busch to her feet.

photo by David Shaw



EIGHTH CHEERLEADERS: Michelle Rhoades, Angela Moore, Heather MacQueen, Ja-mee Garton, Jodi Baumam.

SEVENTH CHEERLEADERS: (FRONT ROW) Jennifer Bollier. (SECOND ROW) Jeni Len-gacher, Christi Pence, Amber Firman. (TOP ROW) Jeni Stuelpe





photo by David Shaw

As the cheerleaders shout for a victory against Concordia, they set up their "B-E-A-T" mount for a halftime cheer.

Cheering Cont.

What did the cheerleaders do besides cheer? During Allen County Athletic Conference play, the cheerleaders — with the help of some friends — decorated many area establishments to promote school as well as community spirit. Another example was that the members of the varsity squad and some of the reserve cheerleaders went to Ann Arbor Michigan for the National High School Cheerleading Competition at Michigan State University. All of the high school squads sponsored a dance as well as led the pep sessions.

There were changes made in the trying out and cheering position procedure last year. Instead of trying out in front of the student body, the high school cheerleading hopefuls tried out in front of class representatives, selected teachers and people from

other schools. Another change was which squad cheered for which team. Instead of the varsity cheering only for the varsity boys basketball team they were given responsibility of cheering for both the varsity boys basketball and varsity football teams. Reserve squad "A" was assigned to cheer for the reserve boys basketball and football teams, while the reserve group "B" was assigned to cheer for the varsity girls basketball.

When asked about cheerleading sophomore Christi Meyer said, "I've enjoyed being a cheerleader and being able to meet a lot of new people."

Cheerleaders not only cheered on our teams, but they also worked hard for all of the accomplishments they deserved.

— Mary Minich

LETTERWINNER'S CLUB

(FRONT ROW): Hal Platt, sponsor, Joe Brandenburger, Mark Handerson, Keith Passwater, Jon Poling, Marquita Mahan, Michelle Kies Debbie Short, Bobbi Clay, Tracy Busch, Reann Panchev, Jane Reece, Angie Vendrely; (SECOND ROW): Angie Hammonds, Randy L. Miller, Craig Goold, Terry Doyle, Keith Martin, LaDena Keller, Ann Reece, Jackie Butler, Sam Iema, Katie Ridderheim, Lisa Land; (THIRD ROW): Amy Williams, Mike Witt, Wade Oliver, Kelly Neuhauser, Kim Stuckey, Amy McDaniel, Lisa Peters, Megan Prough, Mike Dwyer Wiley Kite, Greg Kelley, Rick Ehlers; (FOURTH ROW): John Hartman, Paula Smead, Amy Neuhauser, Jenny Richards, Amy Steininger LeeAnn Douglas, Kristin Neumar, Tami Witt, Kim Fitzgerald, Amy Miller, Janice Glenn, Ted Hewitt; (FIFTH ROW): Bob Earl, Jaci Overmeyer, Paul Lash, Jerry Lothamer, Jeff Kroemer, Jay Kimes, Rick Snider, Monte Lengacher, Sam Powell, Nancy Wyman, Melissa Shimmoler, (SIXTH ROW): Ray Miller, Mike Williams, Daryl McConnel, Jim Earl, Matt Moreau, Jim Yankoski, Scott Hepler, Penny Perkins Missy Sutton, Kristie Witt; (SEVENTH ROW): Jon Douglas, Wally Miazga, Sean Lewis, Todd Bennett, Kian Dolsen, Bob Clark, Teri Kisell Debbie Bishop, Tami Mullins, Cherr Crooks, Vicki Cook, Cheryl Cartwright; (EIGHTH ROW): Criss Sukala, Kurt Lengacher, Dan Osborn Laura Hope, Amy Little, Beth Witte, Paula Kitzmiller, Lisa Yoder, Christi Meyer, Mary Minich, Dina Stoval, Michelle Hepler; (NINTH ROW) John Kurtz, Vince Stoval, Del Roth, Krista Bufo, Mary Blauser, Rhonda Crowe, Brian Hoar, Sam Gorden; (TENTH ROW): Mindy Chrisman Patty Roy, Cheryl Clark, Theresa Herman, Alicia Donely, Tony Hampton, April Minnick, Tammy Lake; (ELEVENTH ROW): Matt Kelly, David Boyce, Doug Lake, Randy J. Miller, Jon Shade, Boyd Coolman, Brian Baumana, Brad Frederick, Soren Hansen; (TWELFTH ROW): David Galbraith, Eric Hobson, Lori Hicks, Leslie Yoder, Faith Smead, Lisa Swartz, Brad Coolman, Jess Zink, Jeff Kimbel, Jody Grunden (THIRTEENTH ROW): Don Bender, Michelle Delagrange, Molly Cook, Rob Pulver, Aimee Richards, Edgar Herran, Bruce Beerbower Shannon Roberts, Jeff Zink.



Photo by Kian Dolsen

Speaking at the winter Letterwinner's Club banquet, Coach Bob Walton talks about his boy's track team.



Rewards of Sports

Gaining a letter in the Letterwinner's Club was not the only award for its members.

Some people might have asked, "What was the Letterwinner's Club?" Their answer was that the Letterwinner's were the students who had won letters by participating in athletics. The purpose of this club was to promote athletic activities; improve physical skills and fitness; and increase competitive spirit, sportsmanship and mental attitude.

Anticipation, excitement, and accomplishment were always a part of earning a varsity letter.

"Earning a letter jacket was my reward for hard work in the different sports," stated Sophomore April Minnick.

After earning two letters athletes could purchase a letter jacket. After receiving nine letters they were awarded a blanket. Other awards given out were numerals for working 15 hours, a gold star for elected honorary

captains, and an Allen County Athletic Conference championship team. Along with those, there was a round patch for sectional, regional, semi-state, and state championship teams, and trophies were awarded at the discretion of the head coach.

In this club there were four officers and each had his own separate duties. The president of the Letterwinner's club was Leslie Yoder, vice president was Michelle Delagrange, secretary was Angela Vendrely, and treasurer was Brad Fredrick. These people were chosen by the Letterwinner's members.

The obvious reward for being in a sport was being able to letter, but the rewards went deeper than that. The real rewards included self satisfaction, personal achievement and being able to say, I did it, I tried it, I made it.

The Unnoticed Cheerleaders

Although they were seldom noticed, the Matmaids and Drill Squad sparked enthusiasm and excitement into the men playing and the crowd looking on.

For every activity, that was taken for granted, there were hours of preparation which had gone into them.

After school, the commons was filled with flags, pom-poms, and music as the drill squad members worked on different routines to be performed at the games.

The drill squad and matmaids were always there for the teams, but they weren't noticed as much as the cheerleaders were. The girls cheered with all the en-

thusiasm possible and with plenty of excitement.

The squad was made up of ten girls, who each possessed a great deal of school spirit. The drill squad put in many hours of practicing so they would impress the audience and the players.

The matmaids had many duties at each wrestling meet; a few of them were taking notes for Coach Kerbel, taking money at the beginning of the meet, and they handed out oranges and

ribbons after the guys were done wrestling in their weight divisions. During the season they sold raffle tickets and also sponsored a dance.

Although they didn't get the recognition that the cheerleaders did, the Matmaids and the Drill Squad gave just as much and boosted the spirit and morale of the teams they cheered for.

— Cheryl Cartwright



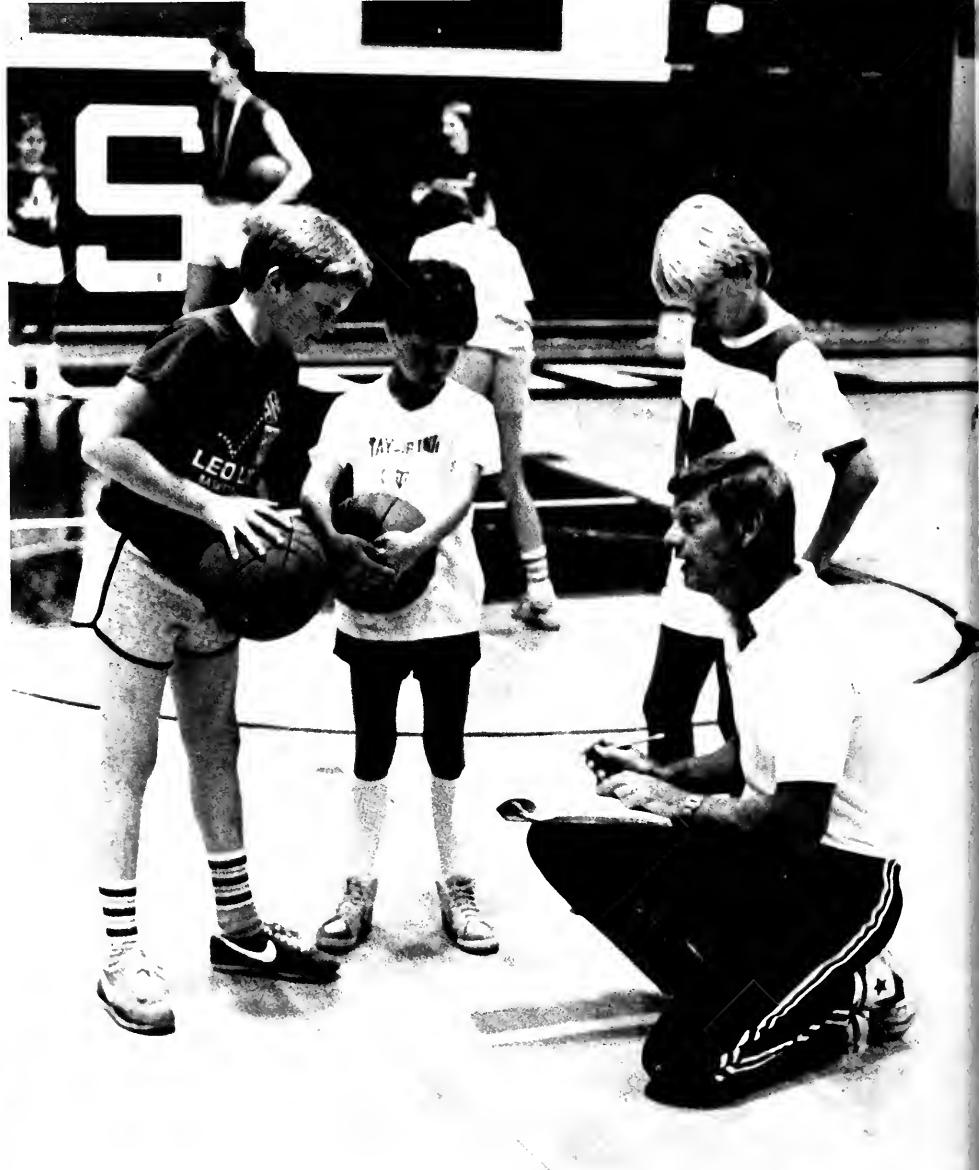
MATMAIDS (FRONT ROW): Jo Hobson, JoAnn Cavanaugh, Angie Nixon, Irene Kissner, Michelle Kies, Jenny Richards. (SECOND ROW): Pam Alwine, Diana Meyers, Penny Perkins, Sponsor Bill Kerbel, Laurie Kroemer, Stefani Smith, Melanie Brandt, Kristen Neuman. (THIRD ROW): Jodi Halt, Donna Meyers, Sharon Handlin, Missy Sutton, Jessica Brandt, Bobbi Clay.



Sitting together during a home meet, the Matmaids cheer the wrestling team on to another victory.



DRILL SQUAD (FRONT ROW): Sponsor Mary Schrein, Tonya Laux. (SECOND ROW): Allison Keller. (THIRD ROW): Tracy Chrisman, Kaye Callow. (FOURTH ROW): Charlene Knapp, Phoung Huynh. (FIFTH ROW): Christen Lutgens, Kristi Martin, Pam Alwine. (SIXTH ROW): Jenny Richards, Jo Hobson.



During summer basketball camp, Mr. Butt explains the rules in playing basketball to three elementary students.

photo by Chris Johnston

Butt and Walton Retire

After giving thousands of hours to Leo's athletic program, Richard Butt and Robert Walton decided to retire from coaching.

Between the two of them, Mr. Robert Walton and Mr. Richard Butt coached a total of 31 years at Leo.

Along with being the boy's head coach, Mr. Walton taught mathematics. He taught sixth grade math to geometry and algebra II over a 35 year span.

Some of his other interests were traveling, helicopter hiking, playing tennis, fishing, dining out for an evening, and having barbecues.

Some of his most memorable experiences involved taking several boys to the state meet in many different years. He especially enjoyed taking Dale Gerke to the state meet and his winning the pole vault in 1983.

Walton, who coached track for 20 years, claimed a win-loss record of approximately 60-40.

Mr. Butt was also a counselor.

He enjoyed coaching and said that every year had been fun. Butt felt that last year was a good time for him to retire. "This year we had a great group to work with and a good record. Too many coaches retire on something negative, I wanted to retire on a positive note," stated Coach Butt.

Along with counseling, Butt had also taught physical education and business during his coaching career.

Some of his memorable experiences in coaching at Leo included his first Allen County Athletic Conference tourney championship in 1974, coaching the first sectional tourney championship in 1975. But the most memorable according to Butt was, "The many fine young men I have had the pleasure of working with."

In 1983, because Indiana coaches were considered the best in the nation, Butt went to four countries in Africa over the summer to teach basketball to their coaches and members of their National teams.

He met many people in the government and sports.

He had also coached high school baseball and also track. When he was in high school, his favorite and best sport was track, not baseball.

Some great men have come and gone, and they always left an imprint on a person's mind. Men like Robert Walton and Richard Butt would forever be remembered for their contributions in Leo's sports program.

— Cheryl Cartwright

— Mary Minich

Mr. Bob Walton and Mr. Phil Kurtz discuss problems with equipment and uniforms that were not handed in by the athletes.

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In typing class, where sitting up straight and keeping feet flat on the floor are general rules, Susan Mancini shows she feels more at home her way.

Doing homework ahead of time is one of the ways students stay ahead of the next days work load. Angie Vendrely, Christen Lutgens, and Jennifer Kretler finish homework in the quiet atmosphere of the library.



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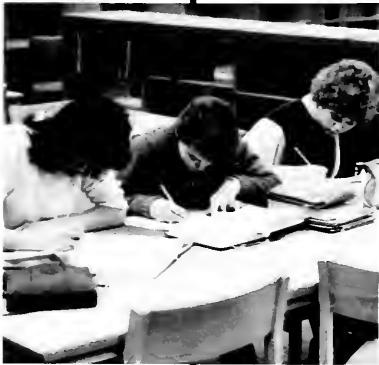


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Not Quite Impossible

Possibly the hardest obstacle we, as students, had to face was coming home from school only to realize there was homework to be done. But, somehow, we always found an alternative to homework. Whether it was a date, practice, munchies, sleep, or "after commercial" homework was always the last on the agenda for things to be done.

With all the activities that went on after school, finishing homework seemed an almost impossible goal to achieve. While some could crank out a two hour assignment in fifteen minutes, others had to spend twice as long to receive the same grade. It was a part of school we learned to live with, separating those who had it from those who had to work to get it.

We were, at times, reminded that these were the best days of our lives, but even so, they turned out to be far from our set expectations. Eventually, each day went by, each assignment was finished, each test was taken, showing we not only cared about our grades, but also showing we were ...





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Having an interest in drafting, students Dina Stovall, Douglas Sanders, and Wally Miazga work towards a possible career in the field.

Time after Time

The Social Studies classes learned about the world of history without even leaving their classroom.

Conducting a mock election, learning to understand people and our society, and having a slave auction, were just three of the activities involved in Leo's social studies classes.

Being a government teacher, Mr. Steve Gabet was also involved in politics as a state representative. Mr. Gabet made his classes interesting by doing fun things and relating stories of his personal experiences. In mid September mock elections were held. The campaign enabled seniors to find out what was really involved in an election. Each party had a president, vice president and a special platform prepared by the group. The Gabet Patch Kids and the K.B.A.R. parties won,

but it was a close election.

Joe Brandenberger said, "It was a good learning experience and you learn how to bribe people for votes."

The main objective in sociology class was to understand how the society functioned.

Bobbi Clay said, "Mr. Gabet made the class fun and we learned a lot at the same time."

Mr. Bill Kerbel taught World History class. The most interesting of events were the studying of the Greek Civilizations, Romans and The French Revolution.

Tena Howey said, "He's not only a teacher who makes a class fun, but sometimes he even gets a little uncontrollable and that's neat!"

Mr. Richard Kierstead taught U.S. History and Geography. In the slave auction, the students assumed roles as slaves, buyers, auctioneers and abolitionists. Every student also had to do a term paper during the year.

Mr. Kierstead said, "Every person can pass my class if they follow directions and use self-discipline."

Even though these classes were required for graduation, through class projects such as slave drives and mock elections, social studies was made a lot more bearable, and sometimes even fun.

— Nicki Jenks
— Marquita Mahan



Teaching world history class of past events, Mr. Kerbel lectures his fifth period students about the fall of the Roman Empire as they take notes.



Government classes involved more than just reading the assigned textbook. Mr. Gabet encourages his students to read books by noted historians to supplement their own materials.



Mr. Kierstead helps Jeff McKee with his assignment as Meg Cass catches a quick glimpse of her grade.

Listening attentively Keith Passwater, Boyd Coolman, Mary Blauser, Lara Bastain and Chuck White study the functions of society.



Coping With Science Struggles

Students learned through first hand experience that science classes involved some tough work.

Whether they were facing the challenge of learning new formulas for chemistry, or merely gaining knowledge of the world around them, through taking general science courses, students prepared themselves for careers, college, and more advanced learning.

Even though there were advantages and disadvantages to having two chemistry teachers, every student had to learn the basics of solving problems, memorizing elements and copying formulas. Chemistry was complicated and hard to understand for some students. "Chemistry is really a challenge if you don't keep up with whatever's going on. Sometimes you feel like giving up, but after a few thousand practice questions, you start to

catch on. Excuse me, I've got to bombard a gold foil with alpha particles," said sophomore chemistry student Rich Dellinger, who related to the mind-boggling experiences of chemistry.

Mr. Ron Noyer also commented on why the class was more difficult for some students, "This class prepares students for college chemistry and is more difficult because of the mathematics used."

A different science class that students took which was not quite as difficult was ecology. Mr. Ron Divelbiss made the class more interesting by taking field trips. For instance, the students planted Iris' by the American Legion and around the schools environmental area. The Iris' were donated by the Women's Club and were meant to brighten the

environment.

Mr. Bill Bollier taught some of the eighth graders in general science. "I enjoy teaching science because I enjoy sharing and discussing the marvelous amazing things of our existence in this universe and their interaction," said Mr. Bollier.

The eighth grade classes studied a little of every science, such as biology, astronomy, and ecology. This briefly introduced them to these areas for future science classes.

Overall, each science class was a combination of hard work, studies, and understanding the world around us.

— Marquita Mahan
— Kaley Amstutz

Digging into his homework, Chris Lowden plants iris' with his forth period ecology class.





photo by Connie Day



Working vigorously, the ecology class plants iris' surrounding the American Legion and school grounds to brighten up the area.

Mr. Boilier demonstrates to his biology students how the D.N.A. ladder works during a lecture.

photo by Chris Johnston

'B' — The Final Chapter

Through the past sixteen years Miss "B" was on the go, whether it was teaching, playing baseball or coaching.

Living traditions didn't come along often, but students at Leo had their own living tradition in the form of Miss Mary Baumgartner, known as Miss "B" or "Wimp." Miss "B" taught p.e., health, and biology to students and even some of their parents for sixteen years before deciding to retire last year.

Some students who had Miss "B" for the first time were scared of her, but they eventually got used to the fact that she expected every student to give his best.

Seventh grader Paulma Grunden remarked, "I'm afraid of Miss "B" and I really don't know what to expect. I'm not really looking forward to running the mile, but at least I know I only have her for one semester."

Freshman Charlene Fouts said, "My first impression of Miss "B" was that she was out to get everyone. But, after having her awhile, either in health or p.e., you soon see that is not true."

- Miss "B" was ready to retire but she still kept herself busy with her remaining time by helping at games, and training students after school. But after retiring she had too many things in mind to just lie around and watch T.V. Miss "B" wanted to travel, fish, build a log cabin in Florida, and a lot more.

Before becoming a teacher, Miss "B" worked in her father's grocery store on the east side of Fort Wayne. She graduated from

high school at Central and later received her bachelor and masters of Science from Indiana Central University. Miss "B" was a professional baseball player for seven years, then she went on to Jimtown High School where she taught for twelve years.

Miss "B" said, "I enjoyed coaching all the sports (softball, volleyball, gymnastics, basketball, and track) here at Leo my first ten years ... the only sport the girls had when I came here was volleyball. I haven't coached for the last ten years though."

Miss "B" was full of stories that she occasionally shared with her students as a means of making her class more enjoyable.

"Miss "B" made health class more exciting when she shared stories of her past," said sophomore Lois Brandenburger.

Miss "B" knew she wanted to be a teacher in the fourth grade. She was encouraged most by her Jr./Sr. High School gym teachers. "I will miss having Miss "B" yell at me for my mistakes. I thought she was a good teacher and a lot of fun even though there were some bad times," said freshman Stephanie Diemer.

Yes, living traditions didn't come along often, but Leo's legend of Mary Baumgartner would live for years to come in the minds of those who knew her, and her unique teaching style.

— Kaley Amstutz

Miss "B" and Eric Monteith use up some extra time by shooting in a "one on one" game during sixth period gym class.

Miss "B" participates in one of her many interests by playing ping pong during sixth period p.e. class.





Rob Brouse, R. John Sauder, and Amy McDaniel listen as Miss "B" prepares them with some notes during first period health class.



Taking an Intermission during Monday night's bowling league Miss "B" and Mr. Stover joke around for the camera.

photo by Janice Glenn

photo by Mike Hetrick



DRAMA CLUB: (FRONT ROW) Amy Little, Andrea Zych; (**SECOND ROW**) Jeff Jones, Chris Scheil, Dan Osborn, Scott Hepler, Wiley Kite, Samantha lemma, Grant Beatty, Tom Brewer, (**THIRD ROW**) Tim Minich, Jody Grunden, Kaley Amstutz, Patty Hill, Jack Overmyer, Line Hansen, Lisa Swartz, Soren Hansen, Amy Richards, Wendy McDaniel, Keith Passwater, Terry Doyle; (**FOURTH ROW**) Mr. Jerry Stover, sponsor, Vickie Stuckey, Melanie Brandt, Nancy Wyman, Genny Gottfried, Amanda Gottfried, Allen Schwartz, April Minnick, Bobby McDaniel, Shelly Slentz, Mary Pfister, Jenny Beeching, Ann Huguenard, Kelly Nichols, Paula Kitzmiller, Beth Witte, Janice Glen, Matt Bertsch; (**FIFTH ROW**) Amy Lewis, Tracy Busch, Jay Kimes, Jim Brewer, Alicia Donley, Paul Newberg; (**BACK ROW**) Brad Coolman, Mike Williams, Kurt Lengacher, Aaron Vanlue, Greg Kelley, Tom Baker, Heather Vendrely, Lisa Yoder, Jim Yankosky, Christi Meyer, Ed Busche, Celeste Schaefer, Mary Minich, Theresa Herman, Jodie Halt, Angie Venderly, Doug Sanders.



NEWSPAPER: (FRONT ROW) Mrs. Ann Larson; sponsor, Amy Williams, Dave Boyce, Del Roth, Patty Roy, Amy Little, Soren Hansen, Bobbi Clay, Jessica Brandt, Kristy Tybor, Jennifer Richards, Dina Stovall, Megan Praugh; (**BACK ROW**) Mike Witt, Angie Hammons, Grant Beatty, Laurie Kroemer, Amy Steininger, Dave Shaw.



SPEECH TEAM: (FRONT ROW) Jo Hobson, Lisa Huntington, Kristie Witt, Pam Alwine, Heather Huntington, Mr. Randy Aurtherhults, sponsor; (**BACK ROW**) Mike Witt.



Time for a change

Teachers and students reaped the benefits of the new English materials and gained hands-on experience through a variety of extracurricular involvements.

Fortunately for students and teachers at Leo, 1985 was textbook adoption year for the English department. Book adoption meant more than just receiving a new book with pretty colors. The books offered new and interesting material which helped to keep students up with developments in English education.

Miss Pochodzay said, "Overall the new textbook materials are nice, but as with all things there are pros and cons. For instance, our 9th grade lit. book added 'Great Expectations' which is an excellent example of Charles Dickens' work, but it eliminated 'When the Legends Die' which gave students insight into the plight of the American Indian."

The school officials involved in picking out the new books found that it was very time consuming trying to find the right book for all students. Books were evaluated on interest, levels of difficulty, and styles of assignments. Deciding the most important materials to teach was also time consuming for teachers and very crucial to a student's education.

Leo offered a number of extra-

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curricular activities which enabled students to use and expand their knowledge of English.

One of the activities that students could participate in was the Lion's Tale, advised by Mrs. Ann Linson. The paper was distributed twice a month and staff writers and photographers were given special assignments for each issue.

"I think our paper has improved 100%. Our advisor has also put in a lot of time and effort to make our paper as good as it is. Too bad she only had one year to prove that she really cares about the paper and the school," said Jessica Brandt.

A different kind of activity was the Drama Club which gave students the opportunity to become involved in theater. Students in grades nine through twelve could either perform, do set work, or usher for two performances; one given in the fall and a musical produced in the spring. Selling tickets was almost as important as the production itself because it was necessary to break even on production costs.

Those brave individuals who

decided to try out for a part had to have confidence and a lot of determination. A certain style or look was also taken into consideration when choosing someone for each individual part.

"Drama is a good way to relate to others and to discover things about yourself you didn't know existed," commented, Freshman Jeff Jones.

A third club that six students chose to join was the speech team. Being on the speech team required guts, confidence, and a talent for speaking.

Mr. Randy Artherhults, speech team sponsor said, "A speech team runs in cycles from strong years to building years, all the 'speeches' this year are strong performers. I'm confident that they will continue as a vibrant part of life at Leo."

Whether students were on the Speech Team, Lion's Tale staff or part of the Drama Club, they continued to learn and gained experience to prepare them for life out of high school.

— Kaley Amstutz

Tom Dykhuisen, Jeff Kimbel, Kraig Brown, and Max Moore listen as Mrs. Platt gives her 5th period English class their new list of vocabulary words.





Taking a break from typing class, Mr. Jehl gazes out the window and then returns to class with a clear mind.

Spending some one-on-one time with her students, the new typing instructor Mrs. Jo Burgstead helps Bob Clark with block centering



photos by Mike Hetrick



Risky Business

Shorthand, typing and other business classes, gave students first hand experiences and prepared them for the future.

When one opened the typing room, the hall was filled with the sounds of the students tapping away at their typewriters.

Mr. Kevin Jehl and Mrs. Ann Linson taught the basics of typing to their students. They also taught such classes as office practice, accounting, business law, record-keeping and several other courses.

Irene Kisner said, "I took some business courses because it will help me prepare myself for college."

Mrs. Linson said, "I enjoy teaching all classes, but I enjoy Office Practice a little more simply be-

cause I am able to work with smaller groups of students. At the same time, I cannot let the students become dependent on me."

Mr. Jehl was the newest addition to the business department. Before joining our staff, Mr. Jehl had taught at International Business College for four years.

Mr. Jehl said, "I like Leo, the facility is excellent and the students seem to have enthusiasm for school activities and learning."

Mr. Jehl used the schools' grading scale, but his grades rewarded productivity and penalized laziness and non-performance.

Accounting was Mr. Jehl's favorite class. He enjoyed it because the students could gain a positive feeling of accomplishment by handling financial work for a business partnership or corporation.

Tonya Laux said, "It's a pretty fun class to take, and it's also easy to get good grades if you put forth a little time to study."

The business classes were a lot of work, but overall they were educational experiences that would later benefit one personally and professionally.

— Nicki Jenks



In hopes of a few brownie points, Vince Stovall grabs typing teacher Ann Linson's arm for a quick question.

As Mr. Jehl answers a question from the class, Marie Powell concentrates on her class work while John Pence gets a quick look at his paper.

Music, a familiar sound

Even though the songs have changed, the sounds are still similar to those of the past.

There was more than one way to learn about music. Some learned through a general music class; others chose to participate in a number of singing choirs.

General music was one class offered to the junior high students which covered a basic overview of the art of music. Areas covered were great composers, instruments of the orchestra, and basic musical terms. The class was taken by those who were not involved with an instrument or interested in singing.

Girl's glee club was another class which was offered to girls in grades 9-12. The 16 girls in the class sang a variety of some of the more recent pop hits. As individuals, the girls had the opportunity to enter ISSMA which was a solo and ensemble contest.

Concert choir, also having 16 members of both guys and girls, sang the same style of music as the girl's glee club. Along with the other choirs, concert choir helped

in these cheese and sausage sale in October and the Yuletide festival in December. By participating in selling cheese and sausage, students accumulated points. After accumulating 5,000 points a choir letter was earned.

There was more in swing choir than just signing up for it. Students in grades 8-11 who wanted to be in the class had to try out by singing a musical selection of their choice and doing sight reading to a selection that was unfamiliar. A few days later a total of 16 boys and girls were selected for the quality and range in their voices. The choir mostly sang pop styles and occasional spiritual selections. Sophomore Tom Baker said, "Since I like to sing and dance, I found swing choir to be a fun and rewarding experience."

Whether they were singing or dancing, people enjoyed watching and listening to the different choirs perform.

— Kaley Amstutz

Mr. Jack Flick, music instructor, directs the concert choir in practicing one of their numbers for the annual Yuletide Festival.



Photo by Janice Glenn



Getting ready for their upcoming Yuletide Festival, first period concert choir members practice one of their many songs.



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CONCERT CHOIR: (FRONT ROW): Mike Crick, (2nd ROW): Amy Steininger, Mike Williams, Jeff Jones, Tim Minich, Terri Bryan, (3rd ROW): Peggy Henderson, Kathy Premier, Tracy Mohler, Kendra Miller, Dana Bailey, Mr. Jack Flick; director, (BACK ROW): Kristi Martin, Cindy Zehr, Megan Prough, Dawn Miller, Alison Harner.



SWING CHOIR: (FRONT ROW): Mike Williams, Keith Martin, Tom Baker, Bobby McDaniel, Jeff Jones, Tim Minich, Terry Seiler, (BACK ROW): Mary Blauer, Gretchen Korte, Theresa Johnson, Dela Frohriep, Kirstin Newman, Kristi Martin, Laura Neunenschwander, Amy Steininger.



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GIRL'S GLEE CLUB: (FRONT ROW): Kristi Anderson, Dawn Littlejohn, Carla Bishop, Jill Boyce, (2nd ROW): Angie Collins, Charlene Knepp, Patti Hursh, Tanya Laux, Amy Little, (BACK ROW): Amy Handerson, Angie Hartman, Tina Frohriep, Debbie Peters, Elaine Pfister.



JUNIOR HIGH CHOIR: (FRONT ROW): Laura Miller, Jennifer Hayes, Amy Smith, Tara Piering, Jerad Hartman, Joe Bishop, Ray Dilisi, Meg Cass, Lisa Littlejohn, Jody Bixby, Crissy Cook, Daleen Croussane, Amber Croteau, (2nd ROW): Brandy Hawey, Jenny Lengacher, Angie Kurtz, Andrea Robinson, Chad Kasper, Ed Gibson, Troy Hankins, Dana Dawitt, Tracey Shafer, Heather Livingston, Pamela Witmer, Lisa Miazga, Angie Hartman, (BACK ROW): Amy Ferguson, Leslie Huber, Amy Amstutz, Jennie Klopfenstein, Warren Crowe, Rob Walters, Bobbie Roberts, Gary Smith, Eric Laser, Troy Lutgens, Ferdinand Jones, Laura Premier, Wendy Bauman, Lisa Meyer, Connie Egli, Heidi Heath.

Playing their Parts

For students in band, playing music involved more than just a group effort.

Sweating under the sun, marching down the football field, and memorizing songs in the practice rooms were a few things that took place in concert band.

As the students in band could have verified there was more to band than met the eye. Playing for basketball games, football games, and performing during half time were just some of the activities they did.

Over the summer our band competed in many area parades and contests such as the Grabill parade, and Auburn parade. Much time and concentration went into preparation for these events.

Band students were not the only participants in these events, drill squad students accompanied them at parades and athletic events.

Besides the quality of music played, students in the band were graded on written tests,

playing tests attendance, and attitude," said Mr. Kevin Drew.

Each year drum majors were picked. Last year's drum majors were Laura Hope, and Andrea Zych. The drum majors main job was to conduct and lead the band in parades. Students could earn this position by auditioning, and being voted on by band members.

Aside from all the band work during class, some students participated in jazz band. This class was held during homeroom study hall and after school. Bobby McDaniel said, "I really enjoy jazz band because we get to play new and up beat music."

In spite of all the time spent playing and practicing, most students agreed that they were equally rewarded through the pride gained from a job well done.

Marquita Mahan



Practicing his saxophone Greg Bauer, a freshman, warms up for playing with the jazz band in a rehearsal after school.



JAZZ BAND: (FRONT ROW): Randy Cole, Melanie Poe, Greg Koenig, Brian Grieser, Greg Bauer, Bobby McDaniel, Tom Baker, Neal Cunningham, Chris Hartman, David Dailey. (2nd ROW): Paul Newberg, John Poling, Shane Zigler, Ann Coolman, Thomas Dykhuizen, Clinton Keesler, Chad Springer, Craig Dahlkamp, Laura Hope.

Jennier Baker, Shanna Hormann, Todd Swary, Amber Firman, Stephanie Vornbran, (3RD ROW): Ron Mancini, David Castator, Rick Ehlers, Criss Sukala, Matt Hosier, John Sauder, Chris Neuen Schwander, Troy Lengacher, Dave Callier, Marie Powell, Shane Blotkamp, Mike Klopfenstein, Doug Stuckey, Keith Martin.

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Playing their saxophones during a sectional, Neal Cunningham and Randy Cole practice their most recent music pieces.



CONCERT BAND:

(FRONT ROW): Nancy Clark, Stephanie Fisher, Generosa Jones, Jenny Swoverland, Joe Hobson, Genny Gottfried. (2nd ROW) Tina Hunter, Melanie Poe, Tom Baker, Ann Reece, Bobby McDaniel, Shana Burns, Laura Neuenschwander, Cheryl Clark, Jenifer Sauder, (3RD ROW), Brian Grieser, Greg Bauer, Randy Cole, Eric Fuller, Greg Koenig, Amy Williams, Andrea Zych, Laura Hope, Kim Stuckey, Marie Powell, Kathy Koons. (4TH ROW) Mike Thornhill, Scott Blotkamp, Keith Martin, Beth Anjulo, Criss Sukala, Paul Newberg, Todd Swary, David Reschly, David Castatar, Chris Hartman, Neal Cunningham, Tim Caywood, (5TH ROW) Dave Collier, Troy Lengacher, Jon Stuelpe, Joel Yoder, Matt Hasler, Brian Shepard, Brian Rothgeb, Troy Wells, John Sauder, John Poling.

EIGHTH GRADE BAND:

(FRONT ROW): Cara Collins, Cindy Rayl, Melany Moorehead, Janelle Uhrick, Jon Leman, Richard Mishler, Jodi Roach, Deana Johnson, Mary Ulrich, Stephanie Combs, (2ND ROW) Greg Lerzel, Kurt Frederick, Chad Springer, Dave Beers, Jim Hope, Craig Dahlkamp, Scott Koons, Jerry Kissner, Susan Wisler, Angela Butler, Karen Witte, Mr. Kevin Drew, Sponsor, (3RD ROW), Vicki Grayless, Pam Burkett, Anne Korte, Todd Lothamer, Jason Cook, Doug Castatar, Shane Zigler, Chris Neuenschwander, (BACK ROW), Scott Byler, Kirk Fitzgerald, Mark Ackley, Marc Poe, Jason Pence, Rita Vondran, Dan Alfred, Clinton Keesler, Jeff Arnold, Jamie Fuller, Michael Broda.

SEVENTH GRADE BAND:

(FRONT ROW): Heather Bennett, Lori Gaul, Mindy Voigt, Rachel Hubartt, Stephanie Vormdran, Amber Firman, Heidi Strasser, Jenni Stuelpe, Julie Hole, Michelle Kane, Tammy Kitchen, (2ND ROW) Marcia Wiblin, Jenni Wilson, Ann Coolman, Shanna Hornmann, Angie Fritz, Kate Blaam, Jenny Ballier, Kathy Sutton, Jenni Orr, Nikki Butler, Lori Thornhill, (3RD ROW), Scott Blotkamp, Trevor Huntington, Kyle Geise, Scott Stuckey, Jason Hanna, Charles Larrance, Eli Hesterman, Brian Delabarre, Brandy Furnish, Jenny Saum, Christa Pence, Palma Grunden, Jenni Baker, (fourth row). Jeff Hinkle, Ryan Osborn, Matt Fulk, David Bailey, Jon Ladd, Ray Pearson, John Sanders, Doug Stuckey, Philip Saller, Dan Carey, Mike Klophenstine, (not pictured) Nathan Cook.



Adding up the Figures

The majority of students took math classes ranging from Trigonometry to computer programming.

The first math class taken by some freshmen was basic algebra. This differed from algebra because the problems didn't go into as much depth.

Mr. Robert Walton said, "Basic algebra is important for many students to build self-confidence before a more difficult academic algebra."

Algebra classes helped students deal with concepts and ideas. By learning this technique, they could handle daily procedures and concepts. Algebra was also required for most colleges.

Last year computers played an

even bigger part in the math education. There were various benefits of taking a computer class. One was allowing students to use what they learned at home on a computer or at a job. Programming was also very helpful if one planned to pursue college courses in math, science and engineering.

Twenty-nine computers including Apple, Atari, and Wang were available to students. The two courses directly related to computers were computer literacy, which dealt with the basics of using computers as tools; and computer programming which taught students how to design and code programs to solve problems which were also related to math.

As students progressed in

grades, the math also got harder for some. One class taken by many was trigonometry. This class dealt with abstract concepts and procedures. Most students seemed to find trigonometry more difficult than calculus.

Jessica Brandt said, "I found trig. more difficult than calculus because of the concepts that had to be understood."

Mr. Thomas Steinhauer said, "A good grade in trig. is a 'B' because in an advanced subject, being average is really being above average."

As students found out, there was a variety of math classes but each one taught something new and valuable.

— Marquita Mahan

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Show him his class the proper procedure, Allen Schwartz inscribes a circle in a triangle.

Jenny Rayl, Jenny Swoverland, and Amy Neuhauser listen attentively as Mr. Crosby goes over the answers to a quiz in their algebra class.

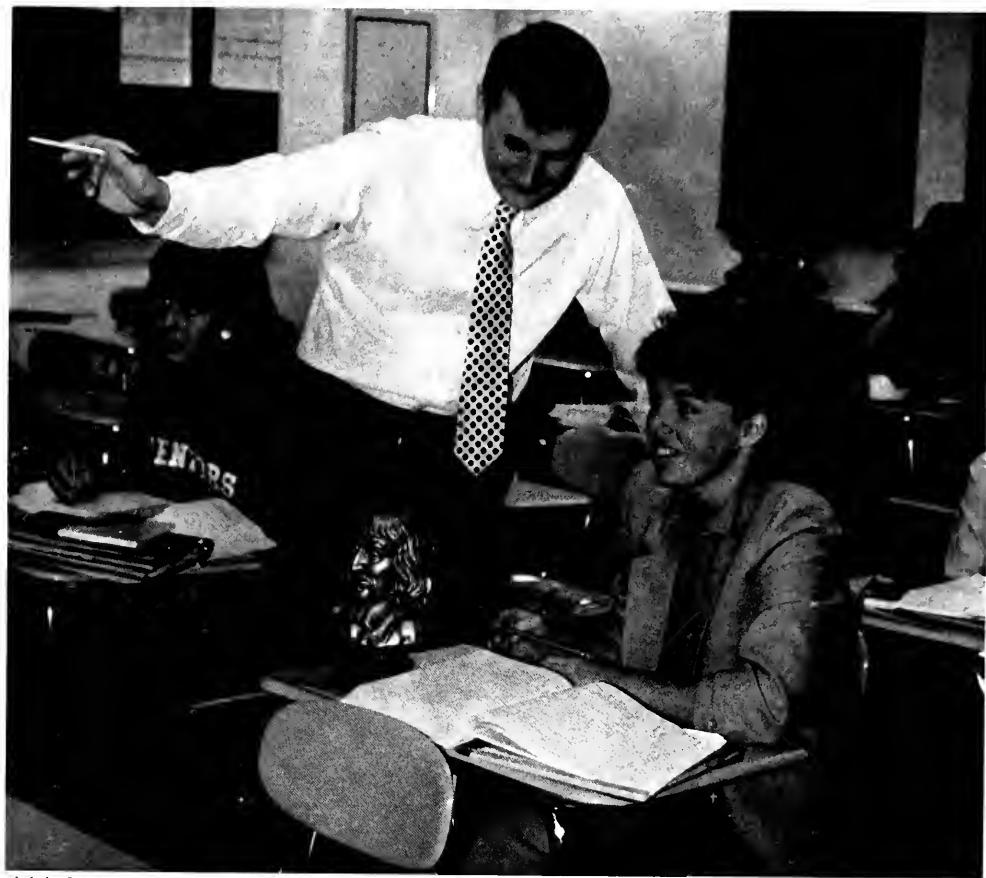


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As Lisa Swartz, Penny Perkins and Wendy McDaniel listen, Mr. Steinhauser instructs Leslie Yoder on how to complete her calculus assignment

Explaining a new concept, Mr. Crosby, teaches his third period class how to block correct numerals



Andrea Zych, Nancy Wyman, Ann Huguenard, and Sherry Crooks listen intently as Miss Pardinek explains some of the differences between American and German culture



Celeste Schaefer follows along in the textbook as Mrs. Donahue goes over the Spanish assignment as Mitch Delagrange is distracted by a fellow classmate

While one of her 3rd period classmates read a passage in the Spanish I & II text books, freshman Ann Reece follows along

A New Way of Talking

Even though in the United States we speak English, foreign languages are commonly heard here.

Even though German and Spanish were not required at Leo, a language was highly recommended and beneficial for students. At certain colleges at least one year of a foreign language was needed.

"The reasons are that a foreign language broadens one's concept of America and the world by introducing one to a new culture," said Miss Pardinek, German teacher.

There were many other benefits to learning a foreign language. Some jobs such as being a translator, an international business person, or marketing a language, required a knowledge of foreign languages.

A Spanish Cultural field trip was taken once a year to see dancers and singers.

"It started out slow but it ended with a faster pace. It was very interesting and a good experience," said Nancy Clark.

The German club, which was reactivated last year, had about 60 members. The officers were: president — Paul Lash, vice president — Kraig Brown, activities director — Tom Baker, secretary — Suzanne Hohl, and treasurer — Kurt Schlatter. The officers were

elected by the German Club members who were required to pay dues at the beginning of the school year.

As a part of the German Club students took an afterschool field trip in October to watch the Fort Wayne Sport Club. They watched a soccer game between the Sport Club members and the Austrian soccer team. After the game was over the Austrian team performed authentic German songs and dances for the crowd.

"I liked the dances that the Austrian team performed, they displayed the differences between the German and American culture," said Leslie Ort.

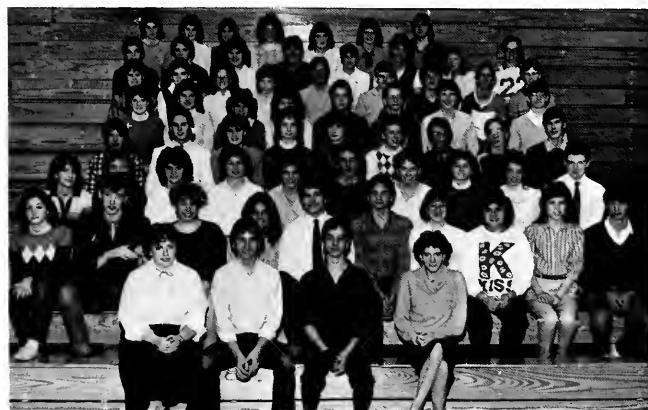
Even though German and Spanish were two totally different languages some similar techniques were used in teaching the basics to students. Singing songs, acting out skits, and playing games were used to help the students learn vocabulary and to get used to speaking the language. Over-all German and Spanish classes were beneficial to those who wanted to learn a tongue other than their own.

— Kaley Amstutz



Mrs. Donahue, Spanish instructor, points out to her class the correct usage of the material being covered.

GERMAN CLUB: (FRONT ROW): Miss Pardinek, Kraig Brown, Tom Baker, Suzanne Hohl, (2nd ROW): Teresa Vondran, Soren Hansen, Amanda Gottfried, Marie Fogle, Brad Coolman, Bob Earl, Lisa Huntington, Kristie Witt, Rachel Palmer, Ron Mancini, (3rd ROW): Laura Hope, April Minnick, Mary Minich, Nancy Wyman, Melissa Schimmoller, Jay Kimes, Melanie Brandt, Lisa Yoder, Christi Meyer, Doug Sanders, (4th ROW): Brian Lutgens, Bobby McDaniels, Alicia Donley, Andrea Zych, Ann Huguenard, Wesley Huber, Jeff Jones, Greg Koenig, Chris Hartman, (5th ROW): Julie Yankosky, Michelle Egli, Michelle Wearley, Leslie Ort, Monte Lengacher, Keith Newman, Mark Miller, Eric Fuller, (6th ROW): Laura Brown, Renee Miller, Traci Knoblauch, Shelly Nichols, Richard Zych, Jim Earl, Joseph Knight, Chris Marquardt, Chris Koester, (7th ROW): John Hartman, Jody Grunden, Jennifer Kretler, Paul Newberg, Peter Voight, David Vincent, Kaley Amstutz, Sam Gordon, (BACK ROW): Julie Heare, Cindy Kissner, Patti Hill, Cheryl Cartwright, Shelly Slentz, Butch Schwaben.





Bob Strong and Rick Miller work side by side while doing a woods project for their second period industrial arts class.



Sanding her cord winder, Jennifer Stuelp makes sure that there are no flaws in her industrial arts project.

Aiding Alana Jacquay with her sewing project, Mrs. Schmidt helps her pin the pattern on her knit jogging suit project.

Practical Experiences

Practical classes such as cooking, sewing, and drafting offered worthwhile benefits that students could use now and in the future.

High school students had a few common interests with junior high students; one was taking home ec. and industrial arts classes.

Not all classes had to be all hard work and no fun. Along with learning, students in home ec. got the opportunity to sample some great foods, while at the same time they gained experience that could help them later in life.

Connie Day said, "These classes weren't just reflected on what the brain learned, but also taken into consideration was the time and effort put forth to pro-

duce the objects."

Students in industrial arts could make things for their own personal use, like bookshelves and cabinets.

Paula Caswell said, "I took woods and auto because I desire to have a well rounded education that will assist me in performing many of the tasks that I had. I feel that if I followed the normal education curriculum, I would have been lacking in these experiences. I also took these subjects since the ratio of male to female students is 15 to 1. I personally feel that all women should

follow my lead."

The junior high students in home ec. made duffle bags and delicious foods like muffins, cookies, candy and many more which they couldn't wait to sink their teeth into.

Troy Lutgen's said, "We just didn't cook and taste food, but we also had to take a few tests which were pretty easy as long as you studied."

Whether it was sampling good food or constructing practical things, these classes were educational experiences for everyone.

— Nicki Jenks



While watching Tim McNiece lay out his pattern, during home ec. class, Erin Barker, Jamie Kimbel, and Dan Dubea takes a few tips while Chris Cook and Deanna Johnson read the directions.



PHOTOGRAPHY CLUB:
(FRONT ROW): Kurt Lengacher, Bobbi Clay, Jessica Brandt, Ann Howard, Jane Reece, Janice Glenn. (BACK ROW): Sam Powell, Chris Johnston, Mike Hetrick, Kian Dolsen, Scott Hepler.



ART CLUB;
(FRONT ROW): Gretchen Korte, Lisa Huntington, Cherie Crooks, Tammy Mullins, Terri Kissell, Debra Bishop, Pamela Alwine, (2nd ROW): Kristie Witt, Sheri Clouse, Nancy Wyman, Deid Frohriep, Tom Brewer, Mike Dwyer, Lynn Delagrange.

Trying to give Linda Wiblin some helpful hints, Anita Fricke finishes her art project while Linda watches closely.



Artists Who Do More than Draw

Many students found that drawing pictures was just the beginning of art. For them, art went on to include painting, sculptor, and photography courses. Overall, art students saw the world in a different light, whether it was through the naked eye or through a camera lens.

Art and photography were two fine arts classes offered by the curriculum guide.

Being a photography student was not all fun and games, but it did offer a break from the daily academic routine.

Kian Dolsen said, "Photography was a great experience for me, it gave me time away from the regular routines of school, which made the year go by faster."

Photography students had to work under a certain amount of pressure. They were required to work in the dark, inhale acid fumes, and stay up all hours of the

night just to meet deadlines. All photographers were also expected to take a wide variety of high-quality photos, whether they were for newspaper, yearbook or photography.

In an art class, a project was graded on its content, or whether a picture made a statement and the quality of its composition.

Photographers sometimes had to work under straining conditions. Mary Lou Holbrook, instructor of the class spoke of the classes advantages, "It's a life-long skill whether students are planning to use it for a hobby or

profession, it's exciting for them to be able to share pictures with their friends."

Luke Holley commented, "It was very difficult to get an A+, Mrs. Holbrook was very particular on print quality. If there was a speck of dust on your print, it would be marked down."

Although art and photography classes were somewhat demanding, they allowed some students to get away from the regular academic routine.

— Nicki Jenks

— Debbie Rayl

— Kurt Schlatter



Miss Mary Schrein explains to her art students how they are to take characteristics and turn them into a drawing

Asking Mrs. Holbrook questions about a value scale, Rhonda Wannemacher learns about color differences.

OFFICE WORKERS:

(FRONT ROW): Bobbi Clay, Debra Short, Irene Kissner, Tamara Lake, (SECOND ROW), Faith Smead, Michelle Delagrange Kim Sanderson, Krista Bufe, Johnathan Poling, Paula Kitzmiller, Mary Blauser, Todd Swary, (THIRD ROW), Randall J. Miller, Kristie Witt, Lori Hicks, Christa Korte, Sharon Handlin, Patricia Roy.



SR HIGH HONOR SOCIETY:

(FRONT ROW): Kurt Schlatter, Brad Coolman, Kurt Lengacher, John Overmeyer, Terry Doyle, Jo Hobson, Amy Little, (SECOND ROW), Suzanne Hoh, Janice Glenn, Marie Fogle, Shelly Barker, Wiley Kite, Lisa Swartz, Rob Pulver, Leslie Yoder, Nancy Wyman, Lisa Huntington, Nancy Clark, Mary Minich, Debra Bishop, LaDena Keller, Wendy McDaniel, Penny Perkins, Pamela Alwine, Keith Passwater, (THIRD ROW), Angelita Nixon, Lisa Yoder, Amy Williams, Mary Blauser, Angela Venderly, Jennifer Beeching, Mary Pfister, Christina Meyer, Kelly Klapfenstein, Jessica Brandt, Jodie Halt.



A.V.

(FRONT ROW): Darren Harter, Aaron Vanluke, Luke Holley, Brian Hoar, Samuel Gordon, Jay Smith, Mrs. Phyllis Doyle, Mr. Randall Artherhults, (SECOND ROW), Troy Lengacher, Terry Doyle, Craig Good, Michael Witt, Jeffery Kimbel.



Workers Striving to Do their Best

Performing various tasks, library workers, a.v. workers, office workers, and honor society members all strived in their own direction.

Library workers, office workers, a.v. workers, and honor society members had a number of responsibilities to fulfill. Filing, storing, and maintaining a high grade average were just a few things that were important to them throughout the year.

Library workers aided the librarian Mrs. Rosemary Grose. They returned the books to their shelves, checked out materials for other students, and helped students find resources to do book reports and term papers.

Alicia Donley said, "I liked helping Mrs. Grose; plus it's more fun

than sitting in study hall."

A.V. workers had to meet requirements such as delivering films on time, and setting up for assemblies and extra curricular activities. Mr. Randall Artherhults, and Mrs. Phyllis Doyle made sure that they met these requirements.

The office workers collected attendance, got students out of class to report to the office, and ran errands for the administration.

Mike Thornhill said, "I liked being an office worker because for once I always got to find out all the juicy stuff first."

It was a challenge to be accepted into honor society, but the reward was one that could make parents proud.

Monte Lengacher said, "I was glad to be picked for honor society and I'm sure it will help me in more ways than one; especially when I go to college."

These students strived hard to receive the credit they deserved. Whether it was looking for a place on a shelf, collecting attendance, or just studying hard, they all reached their goals successfully.

— Nicki Jenks

LIBRARY WORKERS:

(FRONT ROW): Scott Hepler, Jo Hobson, Theresa Herman, Teresa Vardran, Kristie Anderson, Jennifer Kretler, Tina Fröhrip, Suzanne Holt, Kristi Martin, Rhonda Crowe, Patricia Roy. (SECOND ROW): Mrs. Rosemary Grose; sponsor, JoAnn Cavanaugh, Lori Eubank, Alicia Donley, Joesette Purcell, Julie Banta, Amy Miller, Richard Zych.

Students like Aaron VanLue, Debbie Short, Irene Kissner, and Jessica Brandt sit around and study together while passing time in the library.

photo by Kian Dolsen

JR. HIGH HONOR SOCIETY;
(FRONT ROW); Rita Vorndran, Jennifer Wells, Karen Witte, Chisten Lutgens, (2nd Row); Jason Cook, Samuel Gordon, Richard Miser, (3rd ROW); Mark Ackley, James Earl, Erica Nixon, Tisha Beyeler, Angela Moore, Erin Barker, Trista Holwager, Susan Wisler, Cara Collins, Phuong Huynh, Amy Miller, Paula Smead, (4th ROW); Greg Bauer, Dain Bufe, Jeff Jones, Joe Stuelpe, Brian Grieser, Monte Lengacher, Jeff Arnold,



MARINE BIOLOGY;
(FRONT ROW); Angelita Nixon, Rachele Palmer, (2nd ROW); John Overmyer, Keith Passwater, Kraig Brown, Robert Earl, Ron Simpson, (3rd ROW); Mr. Ronald Divelbiss, sponsor, Greg Kelly.



FUTURE PROBLEM SOLVERS:
(FRONT ROW); Michelle Kane, Joe Stuelpe, Doug Minich, Julie Hohl, Jennifer Kretler, Angela Hartman, Lori Laird, Leslie Huber, Kate Bloom, Phil Sailer, (2nd ROW); Chad Stuckey, Connie Egli, Carry Roth, Trista Holwager, Doug Castator, Eli Hestermann, Jeff Hinkle.



Making Time To Meet

Students who normally participated in clubs found a new challenge facing them.

Because academic expectations changed and students were required to spend more time in classes, last year we had some big adjustments to make.

Probably the thing which effected us most drastically was that there was no longer a project period. Instead of having a half hour when we could meet with clubs, see our friends, or just relax for a few minutes; we had to get used to a thirty-five minute study hall at the end of each day. This change made it almost impossible for clubs to meet during the school day. Matt Hosier replied, "It was hard for me to attend jazz band after school because most of the time I didn't

have a ride home."

The only clubs which were permitted to meet during school time were ones in which students received educational credit for their efforts. These clubs included marine biology, newspaper, and jazz band.

One educational club that was added to the schedule was future problem solvers. Unlike the other class related clubs, this one did not offer credit to its participants. This club taught above-average students how to deal with daily situations, come up with solutions, and expand in new areas.

The clubs which were not considered class related, but chose

to continue to meet sometimes found themselves in scheduling conflicts. Their members had to agree upon meeting before school or after school which caused a transportation problem for some. Dan Osborn said "Even though I had to get up early to go to club meetings the time spent was well worth it."

Regardless of the problems created when the once-enjoyed project period was turned into a daily study hall, some students felt that getting up early or staying late to attend meetings was worth it in the long run.

— Marquita Mahan



Y-TEENS:

(FRONT ROW): Angelita Nixon, Ann Howard, Patty Roy, Krista Bufe, Jodie Halt, Kathy Premier, (second row): Mary Blauser, Melinda Christman, Theresa Johnson, Kristin Neuman, Kathy Koons, Julie Renfrow.

Making use of the chalkboard, Mr. Bill Kerbel writes down the assignment for his fifth period World History class.

Eighth graders Matt Lake, Robbie Cook, Tim Shaw and Kirk Fitzgerald goof-off while watching a jr. high basketball game.



photo by David Show



Giving Of Ourselves For Others

There were millions of schools, thousands of people and probably hundreds of writers who tried to explain how one small school in the middle of nowhere seemed to produce some of the greatest memories a high school could. This was true for Leo Jr./Sr. High School; small in size and number, big on personality and generosity.

When Ann and Cindy Ritter were tragically killed, the students and teachers organized a memorial for the family and took their own time to pay respects and adjust to the loss of two special friends. We also adjusted to another kind of loss, one to Mrs. Jane Cowan, and Miss Mary Baumgartner who, between the two of them, served a total of 35 years before deciding to retire. Mrs. Cowan's dedication to keeping everything running smoothly and Miss B's tough love for her students would not soon be forgotten.

We were teachers, students, friends and faculty; however one chose to categorize us, we were all people. Everyone was important. In one sense we were like a family, coming together through the best and the worst of times, because we were all ...



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photo by Janice Glenn

Whether *is is* tenderloins, fish, pizza, or à-la-carte, students are faced with the continuing question of what to eat, all for a mere 80¢

Five Leo Lives Taken in 1984-'85

Unfortunately, the Leo community was hit by the tragic loss of five of our loved ones last year.

Ann and Cindy Ritter and Mike Witt were classmates who many of us knew well from school, church, and other community activities. Tom Sowles and Jenny Wright had recently graduated and had begun to contribute their own skills to the community. Although we may not have known them personally, the deaths of each of them touched us all.

Tom Sowles started working as a custodian for the school in 1975. During the time Tom was a student and employee Dr. Stuelpe considered their relationship to be both that of a teacher-student and a friend-friend. Dr. Stuelpe described Tom as a practical joker who had a love for life and did almost anything to be funny. Tom died after an automobile accident in the fall of 1984.

A few weeks later we were faced with a second tragedy when 1984 graduate Jenny Wright died from carbon monoxide poisoning. During her years as a junior high student Jenny was a member of Leo's gymnastics team. According to Mrs. Carol Gross, counselor, Jenny's enthusiasm was apparent when she talked about the sport.

Perhaps the deaths which affected the greatest number of students were those of the two sisters, Ann and Cindy Ritter. Both girls were good students and were very active in their local church, Grabill Missionary Church. Ann, a junior, was considerate of everyone. Some might have described her as having a quiet gentle concern for others.

Cindy, a freshman, was bubbly and wanted to be involved with life. She was the Lion mascot for home football and basketball games and she had attended journalism workshops last summer.

Approximately 200 students and four faculty members at-

tended the funeral of the Ritter girls who died in car-train collision in mid-October of 1984.

Seven months went by, school was out and we were all looking forward to some time of relaxation, but we were yet to face the fifth tragedy — that of Mike Witt who had just graduated.

Mike, who was always excited about life, was best known for his love of music. He showed his interest in music and in his classmates by organizing a group of friends who provided music for school and community dances. It was after a dance held at the Cedar Creek Women's Club on June 7, 1985 that Mike's life was taken. He and two friends had decided to go out for breakfast when their car went off the road and into a tree. Mike's favorite song, "Purple Rain" was sung at the funeral three days later.

Along with the academics of English, math and science or the practical skills of art, home ec., and industrial arts, we learned what it was like to come to school one day and stare at an empty chair where a loved one had sat the day before, knowing that we would never see that person again. In many ways we also learned, through the loss of these dear friends, how very precious our lives really are.



Tom Sowles



Jennifer E. Wright



Ann M. Ritter



Cynthia J. Ritter



Michael L. Witt



Dr. Herbert Stuelpe — Principal



Mr. Phill Kurtz — Vice Principal



Mr. Hal Platt — Athletic Administrator



Counselors, **Mr. Richard Butt**, and **Mrs. Carol Gross** handled much of the school's scheduling and also counseled to students who needed extra assistance. They prepared every student's schedule for the year, they decided which classes were best for individuals, and they also arranged teachers' schedules for their classes. Even though scheduling was a big job they also helped students who might have trouble in some areas of school life.

Never-Ending Jobs

Just as students were thinking of the long year that had just ended, counselors were beginning to plan the next school year.

As the end of the year came closer, the student body and staff counted the days left, for they were eager to get on with their summer vacations all the staff, that was, except the administrators and counselors who worked until the end of June.

The administrators' duties included scheduling extracurricular activities, setting up faculty seven-day schedules, and ordering materials for the following year. The counselors, likewise, planned student schedules and class enrollments.

Dr. Herbert Stuelpe, played basketball and tennis, watched the Cincinnati Reds baseball games, and commented, "During the school year I spend many

evenings and weekends at school activities. During the summer I have the time to spend with family and friends."

Mr. Phil Kurtz, took a well deserved break from being vice principal and enjoyed fishing, camping, a week vacation with his family, sleeping in, and watching his kids motor cross.

Mr. Hal Platt, enjoyed his absence from being athletic administrator by taking a golf vacation, fishing, working on his lawn, and traveling. Mr. Platt added, "I plan to golf on everyday that ends in a 'y'."

Mr. Richard Butt and Mrs. Carol Gross who had worked hard as counselors last year also had plans. Mr. Butt's plans included

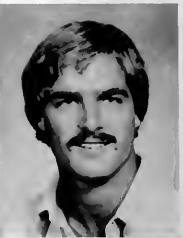
raising palamino quarterhorses on his farm. Mrs. Gross replied, "I plan on becoming totally engrossed in a book and read the whole month of July."

And so our administrators and counselors took a break from physical exhaustion and mental fatigue long enough to enjoy life's simple pleasures. But just when they were most at ease it crept on them ... "The next years final planning".

So, when students began to complain on the first of August that school was almost ready to begin, they should remember that for the administrators and counselors it had already started.

— Micheal Witt

RANDALL ARTHURHULTS, Reading 7, English 8, Creative Thinking, Mass Media; A.B. and a M.S. Indiana University.



MARY "WIMP" BAUMGARTNER, Health 9, Physical Education 1 & 2, Physical Education 7, Advanced Physical Education; B.S. Indiana Central College, M.S. Indiana University.

MIKE BERRMAN, Auto 1, 2, 3, 4, Power Mechanics, Industrial Arts 7, Manufacturing 8; B.A. Concordia Teacher College, M.S. Ball State University.

JO BERGSTEDT, Typing 1; B.S. Ball State University.



WILLIAM BOLLIER, Science 8, Biology; B.A. Franklin College, M.A. IPFW.

LYLE BUTLER, U.S. History 8; B.S. Defiance College, M.S. Indiana University.

RONALD CROSBY, Mathematics 7, Algebra 1 & 2, Introduction to Computers & Computer Programming; B.S. Purdue University, M.A. Indiana University.



JUDY DAVIS, Mathematics 7, Consumer Mathematics; B.S. and a M.S. Purdue University.

RONALD DIVELBISS, Biology, Ecology, Botany, Zoology, Marine Biology; B.S. and a M.S. Ball State University.

Daydreaming To Pass The Time

In addition to preparing test, and quizzes, or grading papers, perhaps the teacher thought about the weekends also.

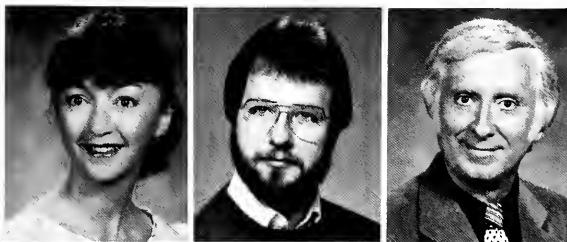
Last year, as every year, students sat in class daydreaming about what they had planned for the weekend. Whether it was an important date, plans to see a movie or just sit home and watch television; the weekend couldn't come fast enough. But what did teachers do when they were not at school? Did they sit at home and just think up new ways to make courses difficult? Believe it or not, teachers looked forward to the weekend as much as students. Along with the usual weekend activities the teachers planned trips where they all could get together outside of school.

One of the trips planned last year was the staff trip to the Water Tower Place and Downtown Chicago. The ladies of Leo High School left Leo on November 3, at 6:30 A.M. on an Indiana Motor bus. The staff also brought friends along and teachers from the elementary were invited. They totaled 86 altogether. Mrs. Cowan, who planned the trip, stated, "from the comments I received, the girls thought the trip was fun. The weather was great, and I believe there would be enough interest for another trip in the spring, maybe to a shopping mall in Chicago or Detroit."



Mrs. Pat Barker, school guidance secretary, and
Mrs. Jean Wells, school nurse, enjoy a busy day of
shopping in the "Windy City"

Mrs. Jane Cowan, school business manager and
coordinator of the trip, flashes a smile of success as
the shopping trip to Chicago draws to an end



GERODINE DONAHUE, Spanish 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8,
B.S. and a M.S. Indiana University.

KEVIN DREW, Band 6, 7, 8, High School, Jazz Band,
Music Theory; B.M.E. and a M.E. Indiana University.

JACK FLICK, Choir 7 & 8, General Music 7, Swing
Choir, Concert Choir, Girl's Glee Club; B.M.E. and a
M.M.E. Indiana University.



STEVE GABET, Government, Sociology, U.S. History;
B.S. Purdue University, M.A. Indiana University.

ROSEMARY GROSE, Librarian, Audio Visual Director,
M.A. University of Missouri, B.S. Southwest Missouri
State University.

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Francis.

MARY LOU HOLBROOK, Math 7, Art 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7,
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University, M.S. Indiana University

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& 2, Accounting, Economics, General Business B.S.
Ball State University.

Day dreaming

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The male staff also got together a few times. They played cards and went fishing. But the most awaited trip was a day and a half after students were out of school. The teachers drove up to Jimmerson Lake and enjoyed fishing, golf and playing cards. They then had dinner at Stan Garmen's lakeside cottage. Mr. Garmen retired eleven years ago from teaching at Leo High School.

When students were looking

out the window or staring into space, counting the days until the weekend, they might have looked over towards the teacher. Perhaps, inbetween preparing for the next class, grading papers and tests and preparing quizzes the teacher was counting the days down too.

— Terri Clouse

— Michael L. Witt

WILLIAM KERBEL, Jr. and Sr. High Alternative Classes
World History; A.A. Sheridan Jr. College, B.S. Concordia College, M.S. St. Francis.



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ANN LINSON, Typing 1 & 2, Shorthand, Office Practice; A.A., B.S., M.A. Ball State University.



RONALD NOYER, Physical Science, Chemistry; B.S., M.S. Purdue University.



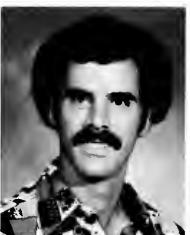
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CAROLYN PLATT, English, B.A., M.A. Ball State University.

CATHY POCHODZAY, English 8 & 9, Publications; B.S., M.A. Ball State University.

SHERRY RORICK, Reading 7, Health 7, individual instruction in all areas; B.S., M.S. Indiana University.

ALLEN SCHLATTER, Language Arts 7, Alternate Math Jr. High, Work Experience 11 & 12; B.S. Goshen College, M.S. Indiana University.



SHIRLEY SCHMIDT, Food and Nutrition 1 & 2, Home Economics 7 & 8; B.A., M.S. St. Francis

JIM SCHNEIDER, English 9 & 10; B.S. Taylor University, M.A. Indiana University

MARY SCHREIN, Language Arts 7, Art 7; B.A. St Francis.



BERNADINE SMITH, Reading 7, English 10 & 11, Alternative English; B.A., M.S. St. Francis.

THOMAS STEINHAUSER, Algebra 3 & 4, Trigonometry, Calculus; B.S. Purdue University, M.S. St. Francis.

JERRY STOVER, English 10 & 12; B.A., M.A. University of Notre Dame.



PHIL STUCKEY, Industrial Arts 7, Manufacturing 8, Architectural Drawing, Cabinetry, Woodworking, Carpentry, Basic Drawing; B.S., M.S. Indiana University.

ROBERT WALTON, Basic Algebra, General Math, Math 8; B.S., M.S. Indiana University.

photo by Klan Dolsen



Mr. Hey, Physical Education teacher, watches a Jr. High volleyball game while he also thinks about his weekend plans.

Custodial Staff: Larry Smith, Tim Voirol, Steve Bottoms, Dave Lee, Larry Minch, not present: Long Huyny, Bob Notestine, Pete Wattley.

Janitor Larry Minich cleans up the cafeteria after the last senior high lunch mod. Larry has been doing the various jobs of a janitor for 3 years.



photos by Connie Day and Ann Howard



Little Favors Sometimes Go Unnoticed

Many tasks were performed for faculty and students, but oftentimes the persons who performed these tasks didn't receive the credit they deserved.

Everyday students went to school, ate at the cafeteria, went on passports, used the restrooms and never thought about the work required to make sure everything went as smoothly as possible. Who were these people who kept the school from turning into a disorganized kingdom where chaos ruled? Were they mere mortals or something more? Like out of the pages of a fairy tale came the knights of the broom closet, the Damsels of Guidance and Enlightenment. Although they each seemed different, they all worked for one common goal, to serve the school and to make it as comfortable as possible for the students and faculty.

The custodians had the never-ending job of keeping the restrooms clean, setting up for assemblies, cleaning the classrooms after everyday use and many other tasks we took for granted.

Last year, Tim Voirol was ad-

ded to the staff. Dave Lee, who was head of the custodian department stated, "My main responsibility is to assess the building and grounds and to maintain a clean, comfortable environment at Leo High School."

Some students had enough trouble fixing an after-school snack to get rid of the "4:00 P.M. Hungries." One could have imagined fixing over 600 school lunches five times a week for a full school year. Most students didn't realize or appreciate the challenge the cooks faced every week in planning nutritionally balanced meals. Mrs. Shoudel, the manager of the cafeteria remarked, "Preparing food in the cafeteria is not only a job that is necessary, but it is also a job I enjoy doing."

One could ask himself what the names Barker, Cowan, and Vendrely had in common. The answer was that they kept the secretarial work completed along with

many other responsibilities. Their jobs included keeping paper work on all enrollments and withdrawals, taking care of the school finances, helping with extracurricular activities and typing letters from the school. Those three people were irreplaceable. Mrs. Barker commented, "Each day as a guidance secretary at Leo High School, is different. In addition to my secretarial tasks, my responsibilities vary, making my job interesting and enjoyable."

Mrs. Rorick and Crystal Bontrager headed programs that centered on learning strategies. These individualized education programs included courses such as language arts, math, health and social studies. The main purpose of these programs was to help students achieve their full potential. Mrs. Rorick stated, "I have found Leo to be more caring and open to new ideas than other places I have taught."

Sometimes we forgot that

Favors Cont.

there were others that performed tasks we all took for granted. How many students went to the IMC and forgot to thank Mrs. Haines for helping us find that material we just couldn't locate? Most students enjoyed watching films and video tapes, but how many students stopped and realized the time Mrs. Doyle took to make sure the film arrived in the classroom on time? Mrs. Fisher usually kept study hall quiet enough so one could study and think about the times Mrs. Short took a phone message for students and faculty. Oftentimes these people were in class and could not take the call. Faculty and staff alike appreciated all the work taken that made the 1984-85 school year run smoothly. Although the "thank yous" might not have been present as much as they should of been, the thankful feelings were there.

— Michael L. Witt

Secretary Staff: Pat Barker, Meredith Venrely, Jane Cowan.

Paraprofessionals: Delores Fisher, Donna Short, Jean Haines, Phyllis Doyle, Crystal Bontrager.

Cooks: Dorcas Stuckey, Helen Liechty, Leah Hager, Ann Miller, Julie Souder, Brenda Smith, Back: Sherri Grieser, Magwen Wermer, Linda Fuller, Judy Earl, Jeanenne Lothamer, Marian Shoudel, Connie Shade.

photos by Connie Day



photo by Chris Johnston



Seventh Graders Help Less Fortunate

Showing their patriotism the seventh graders took part in a very big class project. They collected money for the starving in Ethiopia.

As the world rotated, countries declared war on other countries and new governments took hold while others withered away. Nations that were once prosperous might not have had any food to feed their people. Africa, once full of adventure and mystery, had fallen victim to drought, over population, and a food shortage. Ethiopia was the hardest hit. For weeks the top stories in the newspaper and on the television concerned the famine in Africa. The "Dark Continent" begged for help from many nations, but only a few concerned nations answered their pleas.

Meanwhile half way around the world, students in Leo had already strated a new school year. They knew no one from Africa and in fact the only things they

knew about Africa were the things they had learned from text books. The year had started like most years; new classes, new faces, and for seventh graders, a new building.

In early November Mr. Richard Kierstead, geography instructor, received a newsletter from the Red Cross about Africa's condition. He then relayed the information on to the seventh grade classes. They in turn, decided unanimously to help raise money for food in Ethiopia. Since all the students were required to take geography, Mr. Kierstead incorporated the plan as a "class project".

Every day for three weeks representatives from each homeroom collected donations and turned them into the main fund.

Posters were displayed in each homeroom. The posters contained a map of Africa and as each goal was met, a portion of the continent was shaded. When the project was finally finished, the seventh grade students and parents had contributed over \$300.00 to help those who were less fortunate.

"I was pleased, because I had students who gave up something and sacrificed things they wanted to give to those who had very little and needed many things.

I think that was important and was well done," remarked Mr. Kierstead.

"I was amazed at how our whole grade went together to help people we didn't know and gave up things we wanted for them," added Heidi Heath.

Amy Amstutz
David Bailey
Jennifer Baker
Wendy Bauman
Heather Bennett
Shawn Bennett
Joseph Bishop



Jodi Bixby
Kate Bloom
Scott Blotkamp
Amy Blue
Jennifer Bollier
Tracey Boward
Nikki Butler



Daniel Carey
Margaret Cass
Buffy Chavarria
Jon Clark
Carissa Cook
Nathan Cook
Ann Coolman



Daleen Crouse
Warren Crowe
Bryon Delabarre
Dana Dewitt
Raymond Dilisi
Amy Donley
Craig Dubea





Heather Duman
Connie Egli
Thomas Eubank
Amy Ferguson
Amber Firman
Chad Forth
Angela Fritz



Matthew Fulk
Brandy Furnish
Lori Gaul
Kyle Geise
James Grunden
Paulina Grunden
Troy Hankins



Jason Hanna
Angela Hartman
Jeraad Hartman
Jennifer Hayes
Kristine Healy
Heidi Heath
Eli Hestermann



Jeffery Hinkle
Julie Hohl
Shanna Hormann
Andre Houy
Brandy Howey
Rachel Hubartt
Leslie Huber



Trevor Huntington
Julie Jennings
Ferdinand Jones
Michelle Kane
Chad Kasper
Tamara Kitchen
Jennie Klopferstein



Seventh grade class officers Kathy Sutton, Secretary; Heidi Strasser, Treasurer; Kyle Geise, President; and Julie Hohl, Vice President.

Doing their part to help with the Ethiopian class project, Brad Kurtz and Matt Lake go to the different homerooms to collect money.

Michael Klopferstein
Eric Kretler
Angela Kurtz
Bradley Kurtz
John Ladd
Lori Laird
Matthew Lake



Charles Larrance
Jennifer Lengacher
Ryan Lewis
Lisa Littlejohn
Heather Livingston
Eric Laser
Troy Lutgens



Dianne McConnell
Sarah McCoy
Jeffrey McKee
Lisa Meyer
Lisa Miazga
Laura Miller
Douglas Minich



Tara Mohler
Scot Mueller
Jennifer Orr
Raymond Pearson
Crista Pence
Tara Piering
Mathew Pocock



Laura Premer
Colby Prough
Cindy Rayl
Robert Roberts
Andrea Robinson
Carey Roth
Philip Sailer



John Sanders
Jennifer Saum
Dawn Scott
Tracy Shater
Jared Shaw
Amy Smith
Garrette Smith



Heidi Strasser
Douglas Stuckey
Scott Stuckey
Jennifer Stuelpe
Kathleen Sutton
Lorie Thornhill
Melinda Voigt



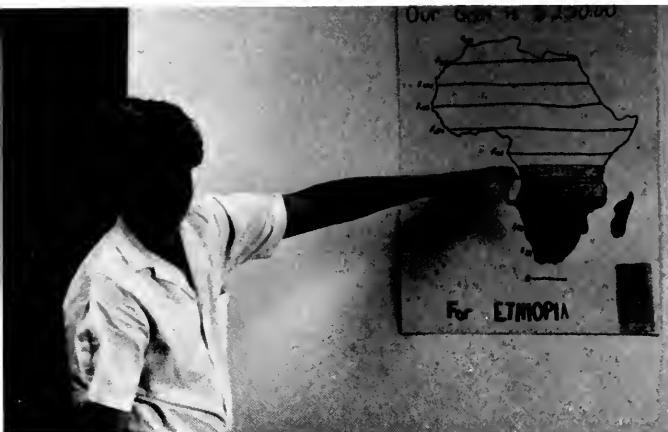
Robert Walters
Marcia Wiblin
Jennifer Wilson
Allen Wise
Pamela Witmer
Jennifer Witt
Anthony Woods



Lisa Wright



NOT PICTURED
Stephanie Vondran



photos by Michael Hetrick

Helping out with the Ethiopian class project, Leslie Huber, collects the extra change that Angie Kurtz wants to donate.

Pointing to the goal chart, Brad Kurtz explains how much money the class has raised to help the starving.

Ethiopia Cont.

Without missing a tick of the clock, the world still rotated as it always had. Countries fell and rose overnight. But some, who cared enough to stop and notice those who were less fortunate, found that one of the true pleasures in life was giving. And half the way around the world those who knew nothing about our culture received food and medicine from strangers who became friends.

— Michael L. Witt



After finishing up her class work, Erica Nixon sits and writes a note to one of her classmates.

Eighth graders Shawn Locker, Mike Byelich, Tim McNiece, and Jeff Premer sit in class and study hard, so when summer vacation arrives they will be able to enjoy the break from school.

Eighth grade class officers: Amy Karst, Secretary; Rick Mishler, President; Angie Butler, Treasurer; and not pictured Beth Craig, Vice President.



Enjoying Growing Up

Becoming an eighth grader meant new responsibilities, and new privileges, but it also meant new friends and lasting memories.

Having fun and enjoying themselves were the things the eighth graders did best. Whether they were at school or outside of school, eighth graders knew how to keep from getting bored with the same old routine.

Many students may have thought that school was all work and no play, but to the eighth graders, some fun could be mixed in with studies. Some of them found visiting with their friends to be enjoyable while others liked to just drop their friends a line during study time. One student who enjoyed socializing was Trista Holwager. She said, "Talking with my friends makes the

school day go a little bit faster."

Studying was a big part of the eighth graders school life, but after getting through with their studies, conversing and small get-togethers were greatly appreciated. One student, Erin Barker, stated, "Studying took up a lot of time during the week, but on the weekends a few of us like to get together and do something."

Not only did eighth graders associate with small groups, but most of them also took part in class events. One event was the end-of-the-year class picnic sponsored by Miss Pochodzay for those students in her classes. "Although only about 25 students





Mark Ackley
Donald Alfeld
Susan Arnett
Jeffrey Arnold
Terri Baldwin
Erin Barker
Wendy Bartle



Jodi Bauman
David Beers
Tisha Beyeler
Matthew Biddle
Chad Blotkamp
Garner Brandenberger
Michael Broda



Pamela Burkett
Richard Busch
Angela Butler
Scott Butler
Michael Byelich
Scott Byler
Bradley Carnes



Douglas Castator
Dawn Coleman
Cara Collins
Stephanie Combs
Chris Cook
Jason Cook
Robert Cook



Beth Craig
Daniel Crick
Craig Dahlkamp
Willy Dales
Allan Delagrange
Jonathan Delagrange
David Detwiler



Deanna Dilley
Chae Dalsen
Joel Eastman
Kirk Fitzgerald
Beth Fogle
Kurt Frederick
Kristi Fries



Naya Fryar
Jamie Fuller
Jamee Garton
Frances Gee
Victoria Grayless
Scott Hamman
Robyn Harris



Connie Harter
Michael Heckler
Trista Holwager
James Hope
Dwayne Irven
Alana Jacauay
Deahna Johnson



Amy Karst
Clinton Keesler
Jamie Kimbel
Jerome Kissner
Troy Koch
Jeffrey Koons
Anne Karte

Amy Laux
Kerry Lederman
Jonathan Leman
Nicole Lengacher
Gregory Lerel
Mark Linker
Shawn Locker



Todd Lothamer
Cory Lowden
Heather MacQueen
Heather McGinnis
Timothy McNiece
Elaine McPherson
Richard Mishler



Angela Moore
Melany Moorehead
Thomas Mozena
Chris Neuenschwander
Erica Nixon
Danny Ort
Steven Palmer



Andrea Payne
Jason Pence
Marc Poe
Jeff Premer
Alane Repper
Michelle Rhoades
Jason Richards



Joe Ridderheim
Meaghan Ritchey
Jodi Roach
Amanda Scheil
Samuel Schwartz
Timothy Shaw
Todd Sidel



Kristine Sivits
Chad Springer
Kendra Steury
Kristin Straughn
Jonelle Uhrich
Mary Ulrich
Cindi VanDolah



While enjoying the nice weather and surrounding environment, Joe Ridderheim climbs a tree to get a better view on things below.



Growing Up Cont.

"showed up, we all had a good time. It was a good chance for us to get together outside of school and celebrate summer," Miss Pochodzay said.

Oftentimes upperclassmen would complain that the people at school stayed within their own little groups too much, which might have been true. But if one looked at the eighth grade class

he saw that maybe future, high school cliques would be diminished. After all, Leo's eighth grade students found themselves doing a variety of things with all their classmates.

— Terri Clouse



Taking a moment to fulfill their nourishment needs Mark Ackley and Mike Bertoli eat their lunch at an end-of-the year class picnic.



Rita Vorndran
Tracy Waltenburg
Ricky Weber
Jennifer Wells
David Wertman
John Willis
Lori Wilson

Susan Wistler
Karen Witte
Joni Zimmer
Shane Zigler
Ronald Zimmerman

Not Pictured:
Amy Clay
Cynthia Rayl

Kristie Anderson
Elizabeth Anjulo
Rob Bastian
Greg Bauer
Brad Bauman
Shane Blotkamp
Robert Brouse



Laura Brown
Terri Bryan
Dain Bufe
Shana Burns
Ronda Caswell
Lance Chrisman
Randy Cole



Angie Collins
Rachel Cool
Mike Crick
Neal Cunningham
Ken Daly
David Delagrange
Mitch Delagrange



Stephanie Diemer
Tim Dini
Kent Doctor
Danielle Duch
Joe Dye
James Earl
Michelle Egli



Jerry Fessenden
Stephanie Fisher
Robin Fosdick
Charlene Fouts
Richard Foutz
Tina Frahiere
Rachel Gehring



photo by Mike Hefrick

Freshman David Vincent, Eric Monteith, and Marc Vendrely look over new options and carefully consider each class for their seventh period day next year.





Sam Gordon
Brian Grieser
Amy Henderson
Ruby Hare
Darren Harter
Angie Hartman
Lori Heare

Julie Hetrick
Pat Hill
Brian Hoar
Alison Horner
Claudine Houy
Wesley Huber
Tina Hunter

Heather Huntington
Phuong Huynh
Genny Jones
Jeff Jones
Alison Keller
Cindy Kissner
Jason Kite

Charlene Knepp
Joseph Knight
Traci Knoblauch
Christian Koester
Kathy Koons
Jennifer Kretler
Jeremy Lash

Freshmen Were Growing Up . . .

and accepting the challenges of high school. Many freshmen found they had to pay their dues as part of becoming a high school student.

In athletics, those who had been starters in junior high sports may have played very little in reserve sports. The change discouraged some, but they realized that and knew they were in high school. One wasn't competing with students in two grades anymore, now for grades fought for the top positions.

In academics some faced a nightmare, going from classes dealing in more general subjects in eighth grade to classes which became more specialized. Instead of science, they had physical science, biology, chemistry, ecology, botany, and zoology. Math classes changed drastically too, with students taking algebra, geometry, advanced algebra, trigonometry, and calculus. But somehow students made it

through the school year, often struggling through classes.

The school year itself went fast for most, and classes that they couldn't ever imagine ending, had a light at the end of the tunnel. Those athletes who had worried about making the team succeeded because they worked hard. In addition, they learned more and became more experienced that most realized.

Just when everything seemed bright and cheery and most ninth graders thought they were in control, the tables turned. "Oh, No, it's scheduling time again," echoed down the halls. Students who had felt at ease, now felt a queasy sensation in their stomachs. The dreaded "class scheduling for next year" had caught and they were helpless. Last year

Growing Up cont.

was especially devastating because they had to schedule for a seven period day.

"It's the one time of the year I dread. You have to make so many decisions in such a short time," stated Dawn Oliver.

For some students, who were unhappy with the previous year's schedule it was a time of hope for next year. For instance, some students relished the opportunity to start over in classes that they felt could be more rewarding than those taken previously. To quote the old cliché Practice Makes

Perfect.

"I enjoy scheduling classes for next year, it's exciting thinking about the classes I will take when I'm a sophomore," added Stephanie Deimer.

Just as the uncertainty of whether the world would last another year or if a nuclear holocaust would destroy everything as we know it, many looked at a blank piece of paper, knowing that what they wrote down would control their immediate futures.

— Michael Witt

Monte Lengacher
Mark Liechty
Amy Linker
Dawn Littlejohn
Jerry Lothamer
Scott Lothamer
Cristen Lutgens



Chris Marquardt
Amy McDaniel
Joe McPherson
Lesley Meredith
Amy Miller
Dawn Miller
Mark Miller



Mickey Miller
Renea Miller
Tim Minich
Tracey Mohler
Eric Monteith
Joyia Morgan
Amy Neuhauser



Chris Neuhauser
Keith Newman
Shelly Nichols
Dawn Oliver
Leslie Ort
Charles Panchev
Debbie Peters



Elaine Pfister
Jennifer Poiry
Kathy Premer
Jennifer Rayl
Ann Reece
Julie Renfrow
David Reschly



Jennifer Richards
Cynthia Ritter
Todd Roberts
Kim Sanderson
Jason Sauder
Richard Sauder
Bernard Schwaben





Freshmen class officers: President, Crystal Smith; Secretary, Charlene Foutz; Vice President, Dawn Oliver; and Treasurer, Jeff Jones.

Seeking out their future classes, Michelle Egli and Stephanie Diemer go through the curriculum guide and write down their final decisions.

Deciding classes for the year to come, Chris Koester, listens as Mrs. Grose explains his options.



photos by Mike Hartick



Terry Seiler
Nate Shade
Jayme Shaw
Paula Smead
Crystal Smith
Scott Smith
Troy Smith



Chad Stuckey
Joe Stuelpe
Wayne Style
Amie Sumney
Jennifer Swoveland
Kriste Tybor
Heather Vendrely



Mark Vendrely
David Vincent
Peter Voigt
Michele Wearly
Paul Webb
Jeff Yankosky
Julie Yankosky

Not Pictured
Tim Caywood Freshmen — People

Sophomore Class Officers: President Rich Dellinger; Vice President, Dina Stovall; Treasurer, Mary Minich; Secretary, Missy Sutton.

Like some, Sam Powell, is one of the lucky ones to receive his license a little bit sooner than others in his class.



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Kaley Amstutz
Tom Baker
Marty Beck
Jenny Beeching
Janice Benny
Matt Bertsch
Carla Bishop



Angie Blake
Jill Bonta
Jill Boyce
Lois Brandenberger
Melanie Brandt
Jim Brewer
Dawn Buhr



Ed Busche
Sheldon Byler
Jami Carey
Cheryl Cartwright
Theresa Cartwright
Nancy Clark
Terri Clouse



Dave Collier
Roger Collins
Vicki Cook
Chris Cox
Charles Croft
Steve Davis
Rich Dellinger





John Deter
Alicia Donley
John Dwinnell
Dan Eastes
Mike Farth
Yavonne Franks
Anita Fricke

Eric Fuller
Genny Gottfried
Kerry Grabowdki
Jody Grunden
Beth Hammons
Melissa Hampton
Todd Harris

Chris Hartman
John Hartman
Nical Healy
Michelle Heplar
Theresa Herman
Mike Hetrick
Patti Hill

Scott Hinkle
Luke Holley
Laura Hope
Matt Hosier
Tena Hawey
Patty Hursh
Travis Jacquay

Nikki Jenks
Teresa Jones
Ladena Keller
Jay Kimes
Nick Kitchen
Paul Kitzmiller
Kelly Klopfenstein

Waiting To Receive Driver's License

To prevent a six month delay on receiving licenses many sophomores took a drivers education class during the previous summer.

On a rainy day in April, a sophomore sat crouched in a darkened corner of a room. His eyes glistened with hope as he read. Then his mouth opened, the hope that had gleamed from his eyes turns to dispair, and he paniced. His eyes watered. What was he reading, what could it be? He frantically read and read again. His panic now turned to fear, if only he could remember. No, his life wasn't threatened, only his pride. If only he could remember the answer. Must he turn his

headlights on from sunset to sunrise, or dusk to dawn? Out of desperation he guessed.

Getting a driver's license was a privilege that seemed long overdue for many teenagers. Along with the heavy load of academic classes came the added worry of taking a driver's test. Most students didn't get worried until five minutes before taking the test. Rick Snider stated, "I was so scared when I took my driving exam, that when the lady asked my name I couldn't remember."

After the test, other responsibilities occurred such as buying a car and how to finance it. Somehow the desire to own their own cars pushed many students into the working world. Janice Benny said, "Although my car was bought for me, there are still other costs I have to cover." However, most students agreed that it seemed fair to work two or three days a week to have the privilege of driving anywhere they wanted to go on the weekends.

— Michael Witt

Shane Koch
Greg Koenig
Jeff Kroemer
Gary Laird
Tammy Lake
Tanya Laux
Troy Lengacher



Damon Lercel
Amy Little
Brian Lutgens
Laurie MacQueen
Marquita Mahan
Susan Mancini
Teri McClelland



Robert McDaniel
Christi Meyer
Donna Meyers
Mary Minich
April Minnick
Doug Moreau
Matt Mareau



Trent Mosier
Paul Newberg
Scott Newport
John Pence
Lisa Peters
Mary Pfister
Tim Pickering



Andy Powell
Marie Powell
Sam Powell
Joesette Purcell
Shawn Purcell
Debbi Rayl
Richard Reed



Renee Rhoades
David Roberts
Sarah Ragers
Doug Sanders
Celeste Schaefer
Chris Scheil
Kurt Schlatter



Allen Schwartz
Kerry Schwartz
Rachelle Sletz
Diane Slough
Dede Smith
Rick Snider
Dina Stovall



Victoria Stuckey
Melissa Sutton
Todd Swary
Mike Thornhill
Aaron VanLue
Fred Webb
Troy Wells



Linda Wiblin
Mike Williams
Basil Wisler
Jim Yankosky
Lisa Yoder
Cynthia Zehr
Richard Zych



Sophomores Jeff Kroemer, Matt Moreau, Missie Hampton, and Mike Hetrick discuss the topic of dating at the Campus Life meeting while enjoying pizza from Pappy's.



photo by Marquita Mahan

Looking Back and Realizing Sophomore Advantages

Most students never thought much about the music, food, movies, clothes, and hangouts, but they were all a big part of the average sophomore's life.

TIME: 2000 A.D.

PLACE: Leo High School

DISCOVERY: Time Capsule

FOUND BY: School Grounds-keeper

CONTENTS: Records, video tapes, old photos, and a letter that reads as follows:

Dear Friend:

Enclosed are these articles which hold and carry memories of our sophomore year at Leo Jr./Sr. High School. We've put eleven albums in our capsule. The groups include: Huey Lewis, Van Halen, Sammy Hagar, Prince and the Revolution, Night Ranger, Ratt, U2, the Cars, Billy Squire, and Pat Benatar. These were the biggest names in music during 1984-85.

We hope you will overlook the differences in our culture and yours and appreciate the enclosed movies; "Ghostbusters", "Wild Life", "Purple Rain", "Revenge of the Nerds", and "Teachers".

We have also enclosed pictures of our sophomore class doing what we did best; dancing at the Casbah, playing video games at Putt-Putt and Electric Circus, conversing at the Blue Mountain Cafe, watching MTV, cruising downtown Fort Wayne, and meeting at Shoaff Park.

Although we couldn't send samples, we are providing a list of our favorite restaurants which were Pizza Hut, McDonald's, Taco Bell, Hardee's, and Chi-Chi's.

Hopefully, most of these chains are still in existence. If so, you know the splendor of our food.

These items may seem unimportant to you, but they were part of our sophomore year. We didn't win all of our games and meets, but we tried our hardest. We had our disappointments and let down, but more than that we made our sophomore year something special. The days we spent with our friends during our tenth grade were irreplaceable.

Class of '87

Without prior planning the school groundskeeper dug up a buried treasure worth more than all the gold in the world.

— Michael Witt

David Alexander
Pam Alwine
John Amstutz
Jim Antil
Dana Bailey
Tim Baldwin
Shelly Barker



Connie Beck
Todd Bennett
Debbie Bishop
Kraig Brown
Tracy Busch
Kaye Callow
Dave Castator



Paula Caswell
Tracy Chrisman
Sheri Clouse
Amy Cook
Bradley Coolman
Cherie Crooks
Terry Crooks



Rhonda Crawe
Connie Day
Kian Dolsen
Lee Douglas
Tom Dykhuizen
Bob Earl
Rick Ehlers



Lari Eubank
Kimberley Fitzgerald
Marie Fogle
Brad Frederick
Deia Frohriep
David Galbraith
Dawn Gardt



Janice Glenn
Amanda Gottfried
Tim Hadley
Jodie Halt
Anthony Hampton
James Harris
Charis Hattery



Peggy Henderson
Ted Hewitt
P.J. Hoar
Ja Hobson
Suzanne Hohl
Julie Hasier
Ann Huguenard



Lisa Huntington
Samantha Iemma
Theresa Johnson
Chris Johnston
Greg Kelley
Jeff Kimbel
Terri Kissell



Wiley Kite
Ken Koons
Gretchen Karte
Doug Lake
Lisa Land
Paul Lash
Steve Lengacher



Unlike previous years, project period was turned into a homeroom study hall. Conferring with each other, Brad Cool-

man and Kraig Brown take advantage of the 35 minutes.

photo by Chris Johnston



Memories Linger for Juniors

As the Junior class moved a year closer to graduation they remembered ...

In the back of one's mind were memories of the way things used to be. How many students remembered the old east lobby, cafeteria, and open project period in the beginning of the day? Unless one was a senior or junior; the only way he could have known about these bygones was from older brothers and sisters. But the junior class remembered the way it was ...

The old east lobby existed before most of us started grade school. The east lobby was outdated, but it was very special in

that it was a place where students gathered for a break.

What other things were intriguing about this "outdated Mecca"? "The old east lobby had much more character and was a lot easier to talk to friends than in the Senior high commons", commented Jodie Halt who had experienced both places.

Tom Dykuizen disagreed with Jodie saying that "The senior high commons means a lot to me because it reminds me of food sculptures I made when I was younger".

The old cafeteria was not as large as the new auditoria and wasn't as updated, but it too had its own atmosphere. WMEE was always softly playing over the speakers in the old cafeteria which made it feel that much more open. After the first few classes it was a good way to kick back and enjoy lunch while talking to friends.

"I liked the old cafeteria because I could casually walk around without worrying about falling off a tier", added Shannon Roberts.

Junior officers, Janice Glenn, treasurer; Wiley Kite, president; Angie Nixon, vice president; and Jodie Halt, secretary, take pride in their work.

Without the option of clubs meeting during homeroom study hall, students reported to their homerooms. Preparing for tomorrow's busy schedule Shelly Barker studies for an English test.

photo by Connie Day



photo by Chris Johnson



Memories Linger

cont.

The new auditoria gave a feeling of freedom. Not only were the chairs more comfortable, but the round tables made it easier to talk with friends. Amy Dowty and Marie Fogle agreed that "The old cafeteria make us feel nauseous and the auditorium is open and we do not feel so closed in".

Closed project period brought up mixed feelings. Students like Kim Fitzgerald, and Reann Panchev complained, "We can not openly talk to our friends and relax."

"Being held captive in my homeroom prevents social and scholastic activities which are very important to us", added

Paul Lash.

Although most students were upset with the idea of losing open project period, some were happy to have a study hall because it gave them time to get homework done. "With plays and other activities I don't have a lot of time to get my homework done", stated Samantha Lemma.

This was not to say these facilities were not appreciated, because they were. They had a new, modern look which was typical of the whole school.

"I feel fortunate to go to a school that has changed in appearance and feeling. Even though education has been

around forever, it can be modernized", stated Scot Kiem.

Everything, old and new, had its time. Possibly in five years when the seventh graders are seniors they, like yesterday's juniors, would remember an old high school commons that wasn't around anymore or a study hall during project period that no longer existed. It seemed everything that was once new would have to be changed to keep up with the changing expectations of our community and to upgrade our standards of education.

— Michael Witt



Amy Lewis
Sean Lewis
Brian Liechty
Karen Lothamer
Ronald Mancini
Daryl McConnell
Troy McDaniel

Wally Miazga
Mar Moor
Kelly Neuhouser
Kirstin Neuman
Kelly Nichols
Angelita Nixon
Rachel Palmer

Reann Panchev
Melanie Poe
Shellie Poling
Megan Prough
Jane Reece
Ann Ritter
Shannan Roberts

Matthew Rogers
Leea Savage
Melissa Schimmoller
Douglas Shaffer
Ronald Simpson
Amy Steininger
Kim Stuckey

Angela Vendrly
Teresa Vorndran
Sunday Webb
Kristie Witt
Tami Witt
Beth Witte
Nancy Wyman

Joel Yoder
Jeff Zink
Jess Zink

Unwinding from the morning hustle and bustle, some Juniors take time out to relax while eating their lunch.



photo by Kian Dolson

Tania Ball
Lora Bastian
Brian Bauman
Grant Beatty



Bruce Beerbower
Donald Bender
Mary Blauser
David Boyce



Looking through their new yearbooks, newly crowned Homecoming Queen Michelle Delegrange and Aaron Vanlue end homecoming week activities by being together.

Dan Osborn, working toward his goal at being the best offensive back he can, takes a break during the Churubusco game to have ice applied to his neck by trainer Doc Jones.

photo by Cathy Pochoday



Decisions, Decisions

Seniors confront future opportunities and problems.

The years of high school were coming to a close. The diploma was soon to be in hand, and a purple and white tassel would be hanging from the rearview mirror. What was next? A job? College? There were many decisions which had to be made, and alternatives which had to be considered.

For the students who had their hearts set on Yale, Harvard, or IUPU in Fort Wayne; applications had to be filled out, scholarships requested, and S.A.T.'s taken.

For the students who didn't choose college or had to find a job to go, looking through HELP WANTED ads was not only time consuming, but also required patience. "I started saving money for college this summer. I'm planning on being an aeronautical

engineer; so the only way I go to school is if I work and save my money," said Brian Shepard.

Deciding on what career to pursue after schools end had some students worried. "In a way, I'm excited about the thought of going to college but, I'm also scared of the unknown factors which come along with college life," said Jack Overmeyer.

The senior year was, by far, an important step in growing away from trends and being yourself; for there was the future to plan, people to see, and places to go. What was next? This question could not be answered until the first step, among many, was taken.



Joe Brandenburger
Jessica Brandt
Thomas Brewer
Krista Bufo



Jacqelyn Butler
Jo Ann Cavanaugh
Melinda Christman
Cheryl Clark



Bobbi Clay
Molly Cook
Boyd Coolman
Rodney Cox

Flattening Out the Juniors

Powderpuff football had been a tradition as one of the homecoming events since 1980. For the last four years the senior girls had come out ready to crush their rivals, the junior girls.

Since this was considered the girls night to be "tough" football players, it was the guys night to try their hand at being "rowdy" cheerleaders. "I like being a powderpuff cheerleader because it really boosts the girls spirit and it makes the crowd laugh," said Chris Lowden.

To be sure the girls were prepared, practices were held prior to the game. During these practices, coaches discussed game

tactics and helped out with scrimmaging. "It's fun to laugh at the girls and try to teach them the plays," said Eric Hobson.

The senior girls pulled the game out for a win, but because of the roughness three girls had to be carried off the field. "At first we were out for the fun for it, and it turned out we were out for blood. There was no reason for it to get out of hand, but I'm glad we won!" said Debbie Short.

Even though at times the game seemed to get too rough, seniors would always remember the fun they had as it was one of the last times that they would be united as a whole class.



During a powderpuff practice held at Don Bender's house, senior puffers Molly Cook, Paula Working, Laura Mitzel, Jessica Brandt, Debbie Short, and Michelle Kies discuss strategy for the next play.

Lynn Delagrange
Michelle Delagrange
Brig Dellingar
Jon Douglas





Senior putter Faith Smead takes time out to have her leg wrapped after being injured in the first few minutes of the game.



Terry Doyle
Mike Dwyer



Denise Galuppo
Christina Gee



Amy Grayless
Craig Good



Debbie Greer
Angela Hammons
Mark Henderson
Sharon Handlin



Line Hansen
Soren Hansen
Gary Hensley
Scott Hepler



Edgar Herran
Allen Hetrick
Lori Hicks
Eric Hobson

Pain in the Pocketbook

Senior year for most students was the best year of high school. It was a time of farewells and good-byes, as well as a chance for a new beginning; whether it was college or a new job. "It's great to get out and start over," said Gary Hensley.

Besides a year of good-byes, senior year was also the beginning of an endless amount of required money. It all started with senior pictures and included caps and gowns, announcements, tassles, and saving for upcoming

college expenses.

To keep up with costs many found it necessary to get part-time jobs. Popular jobs were Tepe's, McDonalds, and various places at the mall. "My job gives me enough money to pay my bills and leaves me enough to buy things for myself," said Paula Working.

The finish of the senior year brought the end of all the expenses of being a senior, but it also brought the beginning of a new life.



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Getting ready for a night out on the town, Jenifer Sauder uses money from her paycheck to fill up her car for a trip into Ft. Wayne.

Working at the polls for Mr. Gabet on election day, seniors Angie Hammons and Wendy McDaniel register voters before they enter the voting booth.

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Senior Class Officers: Vice president; Paula Working, Secretary; Angie Hammons, President; Kurt Lenacher, and treasurer; Bobbi Clay.

With some help from Laurie Kroemer, Kurt Lengacher gets away from the normal duties of class president to take time to help build the homecoming float.

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Last Year in Office

Senior officers complete fundraisers and look forward to graduation.

The senior class officers had many duties. They were responsible for picking out and ordering graduation supplies such as announcements, caps, gowns, and tassels.

To keep up with the cost, the officers organized the selling of purple and yellow garbage bags. "It isn't the most glamourous

thing, but we really do need the money for senior pictures and graduation costs," said class president Kurt Lengacher.

Ordering caps and gowns and organizing money raisers were only a few of the jobs class officers had. Though some of the jobs were time consuming, the results were rewarding.



Chuck White
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Paula Working



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Decorating businesses for homecoming week, cheerleaders Shelly Barker, Marie Fogle, Christi Meyer, Beth Witte, and Paula Kitzmiller paint windows to help boost the spirit of the community.

Supporting the football team on the possible playoff berth over Adams Central, dedicated parents and fans cheer the Lions to a hopeful win.



photo by Dave Shaw



Glimpses of Yesterday

Through the years we had grown up with our changing community. In the last few years, we'd seen the closing of Sauders as well as watching other businesses get started. Grabill added Amanda's while Leo had the corner shops.

The community did a variety of things to support our school. They helped by buying ads for the newspaper and yearbook, and by letting the cheerleaders paint their windows during homecoming week to help boost spirit.

Even though for some, this was their last year of school, memories of buying toilet paper before a T.P. raid, or snacks before the game, were thoughts to be renewed every time they walked into a local store that had survived, mainly because it was . . .



C O M M U N I T I E S



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The scenery of farms, wagon wheels, and rows of fences around the Leo-Grabill area is the setting for many paintings and pictures as well as a familiar trademark of the Amish community.

Merchants Improve Community Image

Planting of iris', improved parks, and the first festival for the arts, were among developments added to improve our community.

After years of living in Leo, Grabill or Cedarville, one might have started to take for granted all of the special things that our community had to offer. The smiles and contentment that the people all seemed to share could have started to become commonplace. Some people in our community recognized this and wanted to help make our area better in appearance, progress, and participation.

Some members of our community were especially concerned with the way our community looked for those who visited here and also for others who lived here. Mrs. Jack Bridges, President of the Leo-Cedarville Chamber of Commerce, was involved with the planting of iris' around the Leo area. This project was developed with a grant from the Cedar Creek Woman's Club to help make our community more beautiful. Mrs. Bridges said that residents were also urged to take part in this project by planting iris' in their own yards.

Commenting on the subject of keeping our area nice looking, Joann Ulrich, of Ulrich Pharmacy said, "Children and adults need

to be taught and reminded of respect for the environment. We, as a business need to set an example of cleanliness."

Suggesting another idea to help the looks of our area, Fern Manger, also of Ulrich's said, "Make the horses wear dydees!"

Also brought up was the concern for the progress of our area. Many improvements were made in our community and others were being planned. Both innovations and addtions were made at the Cedarville and Grabill parks. The Souder family was also working on plans for a mall-type development to be housed in the Old Souder's Furniture Store building. The Leo-Cedarville Chamber of Commerce planned the first Leo Festival for the Arts held earlier last summer. Mrs. Bridges commented that the festival was a success and she would like to see it as an ongoing event.

Even though our community had a great deal of pride, some felt that there was more that could have been done to make our area better. Mr. Abner Gerig, owner of Grabill Hardware, explained, "Our people should strive to be more friendly, more

cooperative, more helpful and still more sensitive to the needs of others! No matter how much we pride ourselves in our community, there is always room for improvement."

Mrs. Bridges added, "Our community needs to get together to preserve the positive qualities. We shouldn't just sit on the sidelines, but get in on the team."

The suggestions our area merchants had for our community helped remind us that we could improve the quality of life and that it took special people to do it.

Mrs. Ulrich said, "A day in the life of a Leo/Grabill merchant is usually filled with many smiles, laughter, friendly 'hello's' ... and an occasional beep and wave from a passing motorist. We enjoy serving the community, and we believe the people are what make it special." All these thoughts could be summed up by Mrs. Bridges who said, "There are a lot of reasons for people to be proud, people should just look around them and look at the good life we have here."

Kurt Schlatter

Helping to make Leo a little nicer, a Leo resident displays some of the typical fall trimmings.

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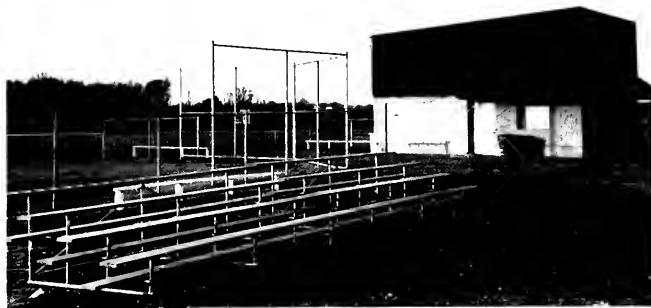


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New additions to our area, like the new Grabill park, help to improve community pride.

Making the area more enjoyable these ecology students are planting iris' under the direction of Mr. Divelbiss. The iris' were planted near the Leo American Legion building.

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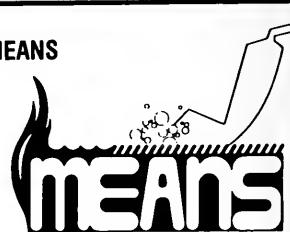
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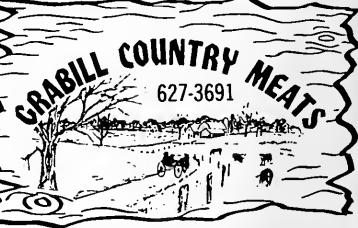
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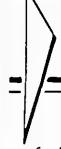
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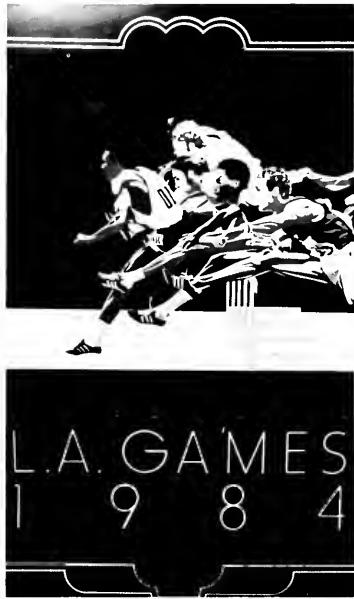
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Sam the Eagle, with his simple charm, became the mascot for the L.A. Olympics and the symbol of sportsmanship for all other nations.

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What event pulled together a whole nation and sparked the pride and patriotism of the people in the United States of America? The carrying of the torch together with the competitiveness of the athletes not only made the 1984 Summer Olympics special, but it proved that America was once again "One Nation Under God."

Many of our athletes — since the time they were born had dreamt of fulfilling that once in a lifetime dream — to be the best in their field both mentally and physically. But, being an athlete meant making sacrifices. This was the Olympics; people brought together for the calling to be the best, the very best, not soon to be forgotten.

In any case, triumph or failure, athletes were looked upon as heroes in America's eyes, and through them we were better able to look at ourselves. Who could forget Mary Lou Retton: The unknown from West Virginia whose gold medal in the all-around gymnastics was something right out of a fairy tale. Greg Louganis won both the springboard and platform diving competition, and of course there was Carl Lewis who tied Jesse Owen's record of winning the most gold medals in the Olympic track events. But, for 3,000 meter hopeful Mary Decker, there were only tears after a collision on the track which destroyed all hopes for a gold medal. Out of the 597 Americans that participated in the Summer Games, 83 golds, 61 silvers, and 30 bronze medals were won, a record for the United States.

Although boycotts started by the Soviet Union damped the Olympic spirit, the torch still burned proudly. For two weeks the Games in Los Angeles brought the world together in a bond that is renewed every four years.

— Mary Minich

If you still believe in me, save me.

For nearly 100 years the Statue of Liberty has stood proudly in New York Harbor welcoming those who sought a new life in America. Over those years, though, her structure had begun to corrode and buckle under her 225 tons of copper and iron.

To help put the statue back in shape for its Centennial in 1986, President Ronald Reagan formed the Statue of Liberty — Ellis Island Centennial Commission. Heading up the approximate 230 million dollar job was chairman Lee Iacocca and honorary chairman, former president, Gerald Ford. Not only did the commission undertake the job of repairing the Statue of Liberty, but they also accepted the task of renovating the Ellis-Island Immigration Center.

Starting in 1982, the commission asked for support from the American public and would continue to raise funds until its budget was met. With the money raised, the commission replaced many of the supports, cleaned the interior surface, and installed new viewing platforms.

With all these improvements, it was hoped that the trip to the symbol of American's liberty would be more enjoyable to the millions who visited it each year. The original designer said, "With care and looking after, the monument will last as long as those built by the Egyptians."

Upon completion of this project, the desire of all Americans whose liberty The Lady represented, was that she would stand even more proudly in New York's harbor another 100 years.

— Kurt Schlatter

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The Next Best Thing

When bronzed bodies were desired, it was either Florida or the tanning booth.

When people thought of Spring Break, thoughts of getting a deep dark tan came to mind. Visions of soaking up the sun's rays on Daytona Beach materialized in ones mind. But, if one could not get to Florida's warm rays, he found another way to get that savage tan — the tanning booth.

There were many popular tanning booths in Fort Wayne, but as tanning beds became more trendy, even area beauty shops installed some. This was where students flocked when the warm rays of summer were still weeks away.

Tanning may have darkened ones skin, but it also darkened ones pocket, for it costed forty dollars for ten sessions of sun lamps and stereos. Although the cost seemed high it was better in that one was evenly tanned with controlled lighting and had fans to keep him from sweating.

With all the advantages of a tanning booth one would wonder why anyone would want to go to Florida's beaches, but all could agree that there's no substitution for sand and beach balls. Either way one got a tan, by the sun or lamps, the savage tan was worth paying for in time and money.

— Brian Lutgens



"Keep the torch lit." The Statue of Liberty's renovation started in 1982 with a fund raiser to rebuild and restore the symbol of America's freedom.

When students came back from Florida with their tans those who stayed home for Spring Break found they too, could be tan in the middle of winter.



Women in Politics

Last year America took a step in a new direction; The democratic candidate for president, Walter F. Mondale made history on July 19, 1984 when he chose a woman from Queens, New York to run with him. Geraldine Ferraro was the first woman to run for vice president in United States history.

Not only was a woman running for vice president, but another was making history of her own. Sally K. Ride went up in the seventh flight of the Space Shuttle. She was the first woman in space as a mission specialist on the Space Shuttle challenger.

Because Geraldine Ferraro was the first woman to run for the vice presidency, she faced a lot of chauvinistic remarks from the public. A common attitude of the public was that if something happened to Mondale it would be Geraldine Ferraro's husband running the country, not her.

In addition, some of the public put down Ferraro because they thought she wasn't capable or qualified to be vice president of the United States. But Geraldine Ferraro didn't give in. She stayed with the campaign and debated George Bush, the Republican candidate for vice president.

Sally Ride, being the first woman astronaut in space, also had to put up with annoying people. The news media especially nagged her about how the space flight would affect her life as a woman. Sally Ride's comment to this was "It may be too bad that our society isn't further along and that this is such a big deal."

These two women made some of the necessary advancements for women in the future.

— Missy Sutton

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In an attempt to help those less fortunate, U.S.A. for Africa produced an album which raised money for food and medicine for those in Ethiopia.

A female vice president? It may not have happened for Geraldine Ferraro, but it did for Reann Panchev who will serve her senior year as V.P. for student council.



Working Together for a Common Cause

The people of Ethiopia were for many years left unnoticed, starving, homeless, without medicine or clean clothes. But, finally world attention was brought to these people with the help of "Band Aid" and "U.S.A. for Africia." "Band Aid," was a European rock and pop band whose members wrote, produced, and marketed the single *Feed the World, Do They Know It's Christmas?* as did "U.S.A. for Africas," *We Are The World*. One drawback however, was much of this money never reached Ethiopia because record shops and distributors kept the profits that were going to food supplies.

Despite the overestimated financial support of "Band Aid," and "U.S.A. for Africia," other organizations, individuals, and even countries gathered money, food, and other supplies to help the victims of the worst famine to appear in the world.

— Brian Lutgens

Rocking the Coliseum

At first none of the big bands would come, but little by little, they came and this little town rocked through the night.

Sex, violence, drugs and noise pollution may have been some of the headlines read concerning concerts in the Fort. For many students in the area, attending concerts at the Memorial Coliseum was an exciting experience. Popular groups such as, The Scorpions, Huey Lewis, Night Ranger, Billy Squire, Sammy Hagar, and possibly the biggest band to hit Fort Wayne, Van Halen, came to perform.

Getting tickets for concerts became an all day and night event for some devoted concert goers. These students who waited eagerly for the doors to open, often bought tickets for ten to twelve dollars — if they weren't bought from a scalper. Van Halen was one concert where tickets sold out in a record of two-and-a-half hours. Selling 13,000 tickets in such a short amount of time accounted for the large amount of people who stayed the night on the coliseum grounds. "I remember waiting for Van Halen tickets, it was like everyone in Fort Wayne decided to camp out in one spot. It was definitely a concert to remember," said Rick Snider, an avid concert goer.

Although concerts at the Coliseum were few and far between, Frieman square made a good substitution. Every Sunday night free concerts were given by local bands downtown at Frieman Square. It seemed music was the major part of a teenagers life, and entertainment, not only for Fort Wayne, but for the surrounding community.

— Marqita Mahan



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Away from traffic and confusion, the Landing offers a chance to see a more unique side of Fort Wayne.

Bored? Fort Wayne Has the Answer

For some the cultural experience of a lifetime was going to a movie or having dinner at Pizza Hut. But for the more artistically inclined people, Fort Wayne housed many opportunities to try something new. One could explore the Old Fort, Public Library, or the Downtown Landing. Many entertainers performed at the Scottish Rite and Follinger Theater where they shared their heritage with the audience. For those who were interested in old antiques or art, one could visit the Fort Wayne Historical Museum, Museum of Fine Art, or the Fine Arts Center.

Public contributions saved the Embassy Theater four years ago and now it offered many different activities. One of the Embassy's attractions enjoyed by movie buffs were the classic movies shown along with the wide variety of concerts performed there.

With the opening of the Grand Wayne Center, Fort Wayne finally had its convention center. The "sporty" looking convention hall was greatly welcomed by Fort Wayne businessmen.

The Botanical Gardens was another popular attraction, with its three green houses and seasonal plant displays. But, when the weather was good one could take a picnic lunch to Franke Park or take a trip to the zoo.

With all these attractions available, there was no reason for boredom in Fort Wayne, one just had to look around and take advantage of the many opportunities found within reach.

— Micheal L. Witt

Rain and Flooding

The flood of '82 bumper stickers could still be found on the back of cars, but those could be replaced because of the latest trick mother nature played on Fort Wayne.

Fort Wayne's great fight against the flood of '85 started on February 26, 1985. All at once the rains came down and chunks of ice streamed down the St. Joe, Maumee, and St. Mary's Rivers. The water filled the rivers for about a week, while the warm weather melted ice that had accumulated over the winter. The Maumee River remained at 24.5 feet late Tuesday morning, the third highest flood stage ever.

As the flooding situation worsened, Mayor Win Moses closed Fort Wayne schools in an attempt to help the flooding neighborhoods by using students to sandbag. Dressed in jeans and boots, students from the community volunteered to fill and carry sandbags between midnight and 6 a.m. Many families had to evacuate their homes in hopes that the rivers would not rise any higher.

On March 4, 1985 the weather service predicted that two more inches of rain would fall which would bring the Maumee River to 20.3 feet.

At 9 a.m. Sunday morning the Maumee River dropped below the official 15 foot flood stage, and was at 13.3 feet late Sunday night.

After the rivers were back to normal volunteers went back to the sandbags, this time to clean up. With the help of its people, Fort Wayne's "All American City," once again lived up to its reputation.

— Rhonda Wannamacher

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With all three rivers on the rise, more volunteers and sandbags were needed to keep flood waters out of homes and off city streets.

There were commercial free radio stations, compact lazer discs, concert t-shirts and pins everywhere, showing the popularity of music in people's lives.



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What's on Top

Part of our entertainment on a Friday night was dinner and a movie; possibly on the way to the movie the car radio was on. We might not have stopped and thought about it, but everything we saw or heard was rated some way, so here the favorites of 1984.

— Micheal L. Witt

1. Purple Rain — Prince and The Revolution
 2. Born in the USA — Bruce Springstein
 3. Can't Slow Down — Lionel Richie
 4. Thriller — Micheal Jackson
 5. Footloose — Various Artists
 6. She's So Unusual — Cindi Lauper
 7. Sports — Huey Lewis and the News
 8. 1984 — Van Halen
 9. Private Dancer — Tina Turner
 10. An Innocent Man — Billy Joel
- Best Picture — Amadeus
Best Actor — F. Murray Abraham; *Amadeus*
Best Supporting Actor — Haing S. Ngor; *Killing fields*
Best Actress — Sally Field; *Place in the Heart*
Best Supporting Actress — Peggy Ashcroft; *Passage to India*
Best Director — Milos Forman; *Amadeus*
Best Picture — *Amadeus*



Preparing for the next students in Drivers Education, instructor Mr. Bauer checks some of the daily grades.

SADD — Getting Started

After a meeting at Bishop Dwenger High School in early February, Leo students began to take a stand against drunk driving. Led by Jack Overmeyer, SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving) was formed.

During the first meeting, a speaker gave statistics on deaths and injuries among teenagers in Indiana as a result of a DWI accident. It was estimated that in Indiana alone, 70 people a day would be killed and 2,150 injured as a result of a drunk driver.

"Drinking and driving is a bigger problem than a lot of people realize; by forming SADD we're trying to do something about it," said Jack Overmeyer.

A contract was designed to cut down on the number of teen-agers drinking and driving. By allowing parents and students to sign an agreement, students could call their parents, no questions asked, to come pick them up when there would be a drunk driver involved. This was emphasized during Prom season on radio stations and in newspapers.

Through t.v. and brochures, we were reminded that "Drinking and driving can kill a friendship" and by forming SADD, students tried to help their friends see the dangers of driving drunk.

— Nicki Jenks

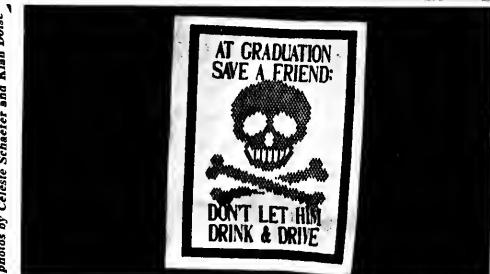
On a N.Y.C. Subway

On January 3, 1985, a 37 year-old Bernhard Goetz, an engineer was arraigned on four charges of attempted murder. According to news reports Goetz was approached on a Manhattan subway by four youth, three of them carrying sharpened screwdrivers. The young boys asked for the time, a match, then five dollars. Goetz felt harassed and pulled out a .38-caliber pistol and fired five shots, hitting the four boys in the upper body region. Goetz then jumped off the train and disappeared after explaining to the conductor that he was harassed. Two of the boys he shot were hospitalized and one paralyzed from the waist down.

Nine days later Goetz surrendered to the police in New Hampshire. He was promptly sent to New York where he was held on \$50,000 bail on account of four attempted murders.

Goetz pleaded not guilty to the gun charges which would have put him in jail for nine years. It ended up that Goetz emerged with an indictment charging him with only illegal possession of handguns. A grand jury refused to charge him with attempted murder. The jury decided that Goetz was "justified in protecting himself from a robbery."

Kaley Amstutz



As part of a campaign started by SADD, posters were made and distributed around school to remind students of the dangers of drunk driving.

The only name for it is *Hoosier Hysteria*

Just as each person had a school he represented, just about everyone had a favorite college for which he saluted. Among the most popular colleges supported by Leo students were Purdue University, and Indiana University in Bloomington.

College basketball was well supported by Indiana Hoosiers. For both the students and teachers, basketball held an overwhelming excitement that came from more than the game itself. Perhaps it was the players, or maybe the coaches that made this sport one of a kind. For whatever reason, watching a college basketball game on a Thursday night or a Saturday afternoon was a common pastime. Many looked forward to coming home from school or work, grabbing a bite to eat and kicking back to watch Gene Keady or Bobby Knight lose their tempers.

For IU fans, the 1984-85 season was filled with historical moments. For IU, Coach Bobby Knight became the U.S. Olympic coach and led the team on to a gold medal in the sport. But, the same Bobby Knight was also suspended from two basketball games for "inappropriate" calls from the referee. This led to Knight's losing his temper and throwing a chair across the playing floor during a game against Purdue. Purdue fans also had their share of excitement, especially against rival Indiana fans. Purdue defeated Indiana twice and finished third in the Big 10, ahead of Indiana.

For both the colleges and the college fans, the past year in basketball was one to remember. Both IU and Purdue had their share of ups and downs, and all one could say was "Wait till next year," and so until the next season, the loyal fans waited.

— Laurie Kroemer



A 7'2" tall Uew Blab towered over Jessica Brandt, Michelle Kies, and Bobbi Clay when members of the IU basketball team visited Fort Wayne.

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A 25¢ cone at McDonalds is normally not life endangering, except for when the unexpected happens.

Pray that it only happens once

It was a typical McDonalds along a busy highway in Southern California. But, for those who decided to stop at this fast food chain on July 23, 1984, it was not just another ordinary McDonalds. According to the July 30, 1984 issue of Newsweek magazine, what seemed to be a peaceful summer day turned into a nightmare. At about 4 p.m., customers looked up from meals to see James Huberty walk into McDonalds with a 9mm semi-automatic rifle over one shoulder, a 12 gauge pump shotgun over the other and a 9mm semi-automatic pistol in his hand. James Huberty shot and killed 21 people, only 10 survived.

After the police and the SWAT team realized Huberty was hunting humans, they were given the order to shoot and kill. Huberty was shot once and killed instantly.

The McDonalds Corp. contributed \$1 million to a welfare fund for the survivors. Two days after Huberty was shot, workmen tore down the restaurant in an attempt to erase the memory of the worst one-man massacre in U.S. history.

— Shelly Slentz

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Sanding some parts to use on his car, Shawn Townsend learns some mechanical skills before school lets out for the summer.

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Finally! After receiving their graduation certificates Don Bender and Bruce Beerbower smile, knowing how they made it out of high school.

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LORI MARIE BASTIAN
Spanish 2; Student Council 4; Campus Life 2-4.

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Basketball Mgr. 2; Golf 1, 2; Tennis 2-4;
Volleyball 1; Honor Society 1; Letterwinners 2-4.

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terwinners 1; School Service 3, 4; Girls
Track Mgr. 2.

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Choir 3; Swing Choir 3, 4; Honor Society 1,
3, 4; Matmaid 2, 3; Trackettes 1-4; Campus
Life 2, 4; Y-Teens 1-4.

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Letterwinners 1-4; Lion's Tale 4; Campus
Life 1.

JOE BRANDENBURGER
Basketball 3, 4; German Club 3; Letterwin-
ners 3.

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ciety 2-4; Lion's Tale 4; Mat Maid 2-4;
Campus Life 2, Yearbook 2, 3; Photo Club
4.

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3; Guy Cheerleader 4; German Club 1;
School Service 2-4; Art Club 4; Hal's Angels
2

JACKIE M. BUTLER
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Letterwinners 1, 2; Media Club 1; Spanish
Club 1, 2.

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Biology 2; Mat Maid 2-4; School Service 4.

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Basketball 1; Stats 3; Football Mgr. 1; Band
1-3; Letterwinners 1-4; Media Club 4;
Spanish Club 1-4; Trackettes 1-4; Y-Teens
2-4.

CHERYL L. CLARK
Baseball Mgr. 3, 4; Basketball 1; Cross
Country 1-3; Track 1, 2; Drama Club 1,
Letterwinners 1-4; Lion's Tale 4; Mat Maid
2-4; School Service 4; Spanish Club 1-4;
Campus Life 3; Photo Club 2-4.

BOBBY JO CLAY
Basketball 1; Football 1-4; AV 4; Guy
Cheerleader 4; Letterwinners 1, 3, 4; Ma-
rine Biology 3, 4; Sportsman's Club 1.
Wrestling Mgr. 1-3; Zoology Club 4.

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ners 3; School Service 2; Student Council
2-4.

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3, 4.

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duate.

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Girls Glee 1, 2; German Club 2, 3; Let-
terwinners 2-4; School Service 3, 4; Student
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Homecoming Queen 4.

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Honor Society 1-4; Letterwinners 2; Cam-
pus Life 3, 4; Wrestling 1.

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Football 1-4; Track 3; Letterwinners 2-4;
School Service 2-4; Sportsman Club 2;
Wrestling 3, 4; Zoology Club 4.

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Squad 1-3; Letterwinners 3; Marine Biology
2; Mat Maid 1-4; School Service 1-4; Span-
ish 1, 2; Student Council 1, 2; Campus Life
1-4.

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2-4; School Service 3, 4; Campus Life 1-4;
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Yearbook Work Underestimated

It is hard to explain what it took to put a yearbook together, but one thing was for certain; it took a lot of dedicated people to get it done. Without their help, this book probably would never have been finished. A sincere thank-you to all of you. The mini-magazine "All the World's a Stage" tried to cover events that happened worldwide as well as those in the general area. A special thanks to Mrs. Rosemary Gross for all her help in research and for always lending a helping hand. Also, a special thank-you to Mrs. MaryLou Holbrook, Kian Dolson and Chris Johnston who came in after school was out to print, spot, or roll film when they were not yearbook photographers.

Because of the time spent after school for yearbook, every-

one developed his or her own way of releasing tension. Whether it was job stamping the halls, eating grease pencils, locking file cabinets or counting the days until Friday, we all put up with each other and others learned to put up with us. A good example was the custodians who could never touch anything in the yearbook room without being yelled at — especially the chalk board. But, their never-ending friendliness and joking around gave us all a chance to get to know each other a little better. Coaches and teachers also deserved a thank-you for taking time to answer questions, give quotes, fill out surveys and dig-out season records.

A final thank-you to Miss Cathy Pochodzay, who alone, under much outside pressure, motivat-

ed the staff to finish their work. Her dedication was many times taken for granted, but never-the-less will not be forgotten. Next year she will be faced with a new challenge of producing New Haven's yearbook and newspaper along with teaching English classes. Her dedication to producing the best possible book will be missed.

Please understand that we are only human and we do make mistakes — unintentionally. Our purpose was to record those events during the 1984-85 school year with pride. Our hope is that those who read it will take the same kind of pride in the book that we took in producing it.

— Celeste Schaefer

The last weeks of school were soon the first weeks of summer — making way for new seniors, new juniors, and new memories — making way for a new and different year ahead.

Coming to a Close

The last week of school was by far the longest week of the year. No matter what was done to pass time, minutes seemed like hours and hours like days. If reviewing for finals was not enough to drive students to daydreaming about the summer vacation that lay ahead, graduation was. Twelve years of schooling were now being rewarded and with many memories stored in the back of our minds, summer vacation held opportunities to relax before fall registration.

The year went by so quickly that to stop and recall what had happened earlier made Homecoming seem like it was years ago. But in between Homecoming and graduation we survived the bitterly cold days of January as well as the unseasonably warm temperatures in April. We shared the disappointment of losing our share of football games as well as the thrill of winning the Allen County Athletic Conference championship in baseball. Through it all, most friendships lasted yet an-



Working in the auto shop, Joel Yoder works on sealing his fender so his truck will be ready for summer.





photo by Bobbi Clay

With school ending in a few weeks, the baseball team still had many games to be played. In the dugout players await their turn at bat at home in the Lion's Den.

The feelings at graduation are mixed, the future not yet decided and leaving school and friends questions whether this is a happy occasion or not. Amy Grayless and Liné Hanson end graduation ceremonies with a hug.





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With the early spring, eating outside got Stefani Smith, Jenifer Sauder, Brian Rothgeb, and Brian Shepard away from the icebox air conditioning inside

Working on a painting, Line Hanson and Lisa Huntington finish one of the many projects art students were given to work on.





Cramming for finals could have been the reason for Steve Davis and Chris Hattery sleeping in the library, but at the end of the year a little R & R never hurt anybody.



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other year and many new ones were just getting started. School with all its people, its activities, and its studies became an album of the happiest times and some of the saddest.

Mental frustration was caused mainly because of school, but with the frustration came self-discipline. It saw us screaming for our teams, but we knew the rules of respect. Probably the most important thing school did was throw people together, teaching us among other things, how to love. Together with this love we dealt with the loss of some very dear friends. Although some memories were painful, we learned to handle the tragedies and continue the best way we could with our lives.

The pride which we all felt in ourselves, our school and our community was shown in everything we did. We attended sports events, burned the midnight oil preparing for final exams, supported our friends with a hug or a smile, and became involved in clubs and extracurricular activities because we were all ...



Now graduation was complete; tassels turned and a satin covered piece of cardboard was in hand. But, that dressed up piece of cardboard held one of the most important goals for a student to reach. Inside that book was only a piece

of paper with a name that certified the now twelve years of schooling were at an end. By the "thumbs up" of Cheryl Clark and Mindy Christman, it's a happy ending but an even happier beginning.



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Leo High School band members showed pride in their school by putting in long hours of marching and practicing. Their time and efforts pay off when they entertain the crowds at all home football and basketball games.

Just about everyone got involved with Homecoming week activities. Terry Seller puts the finishing touches on his huge lion's paw drawn on the parking lot as a part of Mrs. Holbrook's art class.

